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By Order of the Board of Directors,
R. PATERSON BROWN,
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Bombay, 1st March, 1905.

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2nd.—To elect Directors in place of those who retire by rotation, but are eligible for re-election.
3rd.—To elect Auditors for the ensuing year and to fix their remuneration.

And NOTICE is hereby given that the TRANSFER BOOKS will be CLOSED from the 22nd February to 11th March, both days inclusive.

By Order,
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BOMBAY MUNICIPAL CORPORATION.

AN ORDINARY MONTHLY MEETING of the Corporation will be held in the Municipal Office on THURSDAY, the 9th March, 1905, at 3 p. m., for the consideration of the following business:—

1. (a) Letter from the Municipal Secretary—Reporting the names of the four members of the Standing Committee, appointed by the Corporation, who retire on the 1st April 1905. (b) Election of four members of the Standing Committee.
2. (a) Appointment of Municipal Auditors for the year 1905-06. (b) Notice of motion from Sir Bhalchandra Krishna seconded by Khan Bahadur M. C. Murzban C. I. E. For re-appointing Messrs Sakharam Dhondoo Gupte and Hormusji Shapurji Katrak to be Municipal Auditors, for the year 1905-06.
3. Memorandum from the Commissioner—Forwarding a Notification regarding the election as Councillor of Mr. Motilal Kanji Kapadia, B. A., L. L. B.
4. Memoranda from the Secretary, Bombay Improvement Trust—Forwarding excerpts from Proceedings of the Trustees' meetings.
5. Letters from the Secretary, Joint Schools Committee—Forwarding excerpts from the Proceedings of the Committee's meetings.

Resolutions of the Standing Committee:—

6. Recommending sanction to Plot No. 47, belonging to the City Improvement Trust in 1st Nagpada, being leased for 999 years on conditions mentioned.
7. Recommending approval to the acquisition of a portion of a property situated at the junction of Nishanpada Road and Old Nagpada Lane.
8. Sanctioning, subject to Corporation's orders, a budget transfer of Rs 1,374 to meet excess expenditure due to greater consumption of water at the Mahaluxmi Dhobiwada than what was anticipated.
9. Sanctioning, subject to Coporation's orders a budget transfer of Rs. 3,500 to meet excess expenditure incurred in connection with the maintenance of the Love Grove Pumping Station.
10. Sanctioning, subject to Corportion's orders, a budget transfer of Rs. 1,300 to meet excess expenditure due to greater conumption of water in connection with the work of Surface Drain Cleaning than was anticipated.
11. Sanctioning, subject to Corporation's orders, a budget tranfer of Rs. 625 for payment of the amount awarded by the Bhiwandi Court to one Wasudeo Ramchandra Kurve as damages done to his crops by the Tansa Duct Line near Kasheli.
12. (a) Letter from Mr. M. Pansare—Regarding charges preferred for cleaning the drain of premises Nos. 35-36, Mugbhat Cross Lane, Girgaon. (b) Resolution of the Standing Committee—Recommending that the applicant be informed that the charges preferred were correct, and legally recoverable from him. (c) Further letter from Mr. Pansare on the same subject.

Resolutions of the Standing Committee:—

13. Sanctioning, subject to Corporation's orders: a budget transfer of Rs. 1,750 to meet excess expenditure due to a larger number of new works having been executed at the Workshops than was anticipated.
14. Sanctioning, subject to Coporation's orders, a budget transfer of Rs. 4,750 to meet excess expenditure due to the necessity of watering some of the principal roads in the City during the breaks in the last monsoon.
15. (a) Letter to the Corporation from Mr. Shapurjee Sorabjee—Submitting, for consideration, a correspondence with the Commissioner regarding the speedy removal of cutchra. (b) Resolution of the Standing Committee—Recommending that the writer be informed that the Coporation concur in the Commissioner's opinion that his suggestions are impracticable.

Resolutions of the Standing Committee:—

16. Recommending sanction to a grant of Rs. 7,780 to meet an excess in the commission charges, &c., payable to the G. I. P. Railway for the collection of Town Duties.
17. Recommending sanction to the cost, estimated at Rs. 704, of acquiring a plot of set-back land on Fergusson Road, being provisionally met by an advance from Surplus Loan and other balances.
18. Recommending sanction to the amount (Rs. 7-2-7) of the abatement of the land revenue due to Government in respect of Mr. Ganpat Mahadev's property at Cavel acquired by the Municipality being provisionally met by a further advance from Surplus Balances.
19. Recommending approval to the acquisition of a plot of land at Ghoga Street at a cost of Rs. 20,000 plus legal expenses and the capitalized value of rental due to Government.
20. Sanctioning, subject to the Corporation's orders, a budget transfer of Rs. 1,300 to meet excess expenditure due to acting arrangements made during the absence of some members of the Staff of the Streets and Buildings Department.
21. Forwarding a letter from the Commissioner and their Resolution thereon, regarding a modified arrangement for the supervision of the work of the sewerage of the Malabar Hill District No. I.
22. Recommending sanction to a grant of Rs. 658 to meet the cost of constructing an additional room for the watchmen and forest guards at Talsi.
23. Recommending approval to the acquisition of a property required for opening out King Lane.
24. (a) Letter from Mr. Shaik Yacoob Shaik Adam Jacoob—Regarding an encroachment on a public passage at the corner of Reay Road and Gunpowder Road. (b) Resolution of Standing Committee—Recommending that the applicant be informed that action is being taken in the matter.

Resolutions of the Standing Committee:—

25. Sanctioning, subject to Corporation's orders, a budget transfer Rs. of 1,000 to meet the cost of purchasing certain animals for the Victoria Gardens.
26. Sanctioning, subject to Corporation's orders, a budget transfer of Rs. 1,067 to meet excess expenditure due to the cost of printing 100 copies of the List of Mains, &c.
27. Sanctioning, subject to Corporation's orders, a budget transfer of Rs. 1,400 to meet excess expenditure due to repair of roads in consequence of the operations of the Deputy Executive Engineer. Water Works, Special Branch.
28. Approving, subject to confirmation by the Corporation under Section 81 (2) of the Act, of the house drain-cleaning Sub Inspectors of the Health Department being required to furnish securities of Rs. 500 each.
29. (a) Letter from Mr. Nadirsha H. E. Sukhia—drawing attention to instances of waste of water from leakage noticed by him in Cawasji Patel and Bhoiwar Streets, and Hornby Road. (b) Resolution of the Standing Committee—Recommending that the letter be recorded.

Resolutions of the Standing Committee:—

30. Forwarding, for information a letter from the Commissioner reporting the payment to the Collector of Land Revenue of Rs. 24-9-9, being the capitalized value of the assessment in respect of the land acquired at Girgaum Road for a new Police Chowki.
31. Recommending sanction to the construction of a shed at the Drainage Inspector's office at Chinchpogli for the Drainage Chowkidar.
32. (a) Letter from Mr. Muncherji Nowrowji Daver—Requesting that the Commissioner be asked not to give his approval to the proposed addition of a storey to his neighbour's Chawl at Walkeshwar Road. (b) Resolution of the Standing Committee—Recommending that the applicant be informed that the proposed addition cannot be disallowed.

Resolution of the Standing Committee:—

33. Recommending sanction to a grant of Rs. 15,090 to meet additional commission and other charges payable to the Bombay Port Trust for the collection of Town Duties.
34. Recommending sanction to the signing of cheques during the current year for extra expenditure in connection with the purchase of stores.
35. Recommending sanction to a grant of Rs. 270 to meet the cost of the purchase of street number plates.
36. Sanctioning, subject to the Corporation's order, a budget transfer of Rs 700 to meet the cost of repairs to Fire Brigade steamers and appliances.
37. Sanctioning subject to the Corporation's orders a budget transfer of Rs 1,150 to meet excess expenditure for Kerosine oil lighting.
38. Framing subject to confirmation by the Corporaton, certain additions and modifications to the leave, &c., Regulations.
39. Forwarding, for orders, a letter from the Commissioner regarding the improvement of streets in the City and the financing of expenditure in connection therewith, and recommending sanction to an extra grant of Rs 50,000 for street improvement in 1904-1905.
40. Memorandum from the Municipal Secretary—Reporting Budget Transfers sanctioned by the Standing Committee from the 25th January to 22nd February 1905.
41. (a) Letter from the Secretary, Bombay Improvement Trust—Communicating the names of the representatives of the Corporation on the Trust whose term of Office expires on the 31st March 1905. (b) Election of three Trustees for the Improvement of the City of Bombay.
42. Letter from the Commissioner—Forwarding a statement showing the balances due by the Corporation to the Secretary of State for India in Council and to the Municipal Security-holders on the 31st December 1904 on account of loans.
43. (a) Letter from the Chairman Bombay Improvement Trust—Inviting the Corporation to have a joint enquiry made by expert representatives of that body and the Trust as to the effect of the Gowalia Tank on the health of the neighbourhood. (b) and (c) Letters from the Commissioner—Reporting on the subject.

Letters from the Commissioner:—

44. Requesting sanction to an agreement being entered into with the Colaba Municipality for a further period of 3 years commencing 31st March 1905 for the supply of water within their Municipal limits on certain conditions.
45. Requesting sanction to the road between the "Times of India" Building and the Anjuman-I-Islam School being named "Gymnasium Road."
46. Requesting sanction to the plot of ground at Antop Hill leased from Government for the purpose of providing a burial ground for the Babi Community being opened as a place for the disposal of the dead.
47. Forwarding a Report regarding the cleaning of sewers, storm water drains, &c. during 1903-1904.
48. Forwarding Quarterly statements regarding the cleansing of sewers and drains in the City.
49. Reporting as to the desirability of trying the virus prepared by Dr. Danysz for the destruction of rats.
50. Requesting sanction to the work of laying mains for the supply of water to the Agripada Estate of the Improvement Trust being put in hand.
51. Requesting sanction to the adoption of a revised scale of license fees for storing matches.
52. Forwarding reports from the Executive Engineer and Executive Health Officer regarding the insanitary and plague-infected areas in Girgaum (D) Ward.
53. Forwarding a report regarding supply of pure milk to the poor.
54. Reporting that in addition to the measures adopted for putting the Municipal Stores on a proper footing he has now got the manual for the guidance of the Stores Department ready.
55. Forwarding a report from the Executive Health Officer regarding the sanitary condition of Bake-houses in the City.
56. Forwarding a report from the Executive Engineer on certain matters relating to road repairs, lighting &c in the City.
57. Submitting proposals regarding the roofing of the New Filters at Malabar Hill.
58. Reporting as to the improvement of the road alignment opposite the Victoria Terminus and at the western end of the Cruickshank Road near the Money School.
59. Forwarding a report from the Executive Engineer as to the construction of additional catchpits on sewers and as to the effects of the existing catchpits on the working of the sewers.
60. Forwarding a Government Resolution regarding vagrant lepers in the city.
61. Forwarding the Executive Health Officer's report for the 4th quarter of 1904.
62. Letter from the Secretary Joint Schools Committee—Forwarding for orders a correspondence with Government regarding the building grant offered by them in connection with the Sorabjee Shapurjee Bengalee Girls School at Kandewady.

Reports of Committees of the Corporation:—

63. Regarding Pail Depots and Halalkhor Service.
64. Regarding proposals to provide accommodation for smallpox cases and quarters for nurses at the Arthur Road Hospital, and a proposal to make over the Maratha Hospital to the Municipality.
65. Regarding the question of the public lighting of the City after the expiration of the present contract with the Bombay Gas Company.
66. Regarding the changes to be fixed for the supply of electrical energy.
67. Regarding the proposed extension of railway facilities

PUBLIC NOTIFICATIONS.

BOMBAY MUNICIPAL CORPORATION—Contd.

68. Regarding the collapse of a portion of the Tulsi Outlet tunnel.
69. Regarding schemes for the sewarage of Malabar Hill and other districts.

NOTICES OF MOTIONS.

70-71 From Lt.-Col. M. A. T. Collie—(70) For authorizing the Commissioner to acquire set-backs remaining to be acquired on the Gowalia Tank Nepean Sea, Warden, Walkeshwar, Mazagon, Mount and Nesbit Roads. (71) For obtaining a report as to the number and positions of public watering troughs for the use of animals.
72. From Mr. K. E. Dadachanji—For appointing Messrs. G. O. W Dunn and R. J. Kent to be members of the Committee appointed to make personal inspections of the Drainage System in the different Wards of the City.
73. From the Honourable Sir Pherozeshah M. Mehta, K.C.I.E. For moving Government to include in the draft Bill for amending the Municipal Act a provision for giving power to the Corporation to raise the Municipal Secretary's salary to a maximum of Rs. 1,200 per mensem after an approved service of not less than 7 years.

M. N. WADIA,
Municipal Secretary.

Municipal Corporation Office, Bombay 28th February, 1905.

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A. H. DEANE,
Hony. Secretary.

3rd February, 1905.

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Re: JAKOB EMIL SPINNER, DECEASED.

PURSUANT to Section 42 of Act XXVIII of 1866 of the Legislative Council of India entitled "The Trustees' and Mortgagees' Powers Act, 1866." NOTICE is hereby given that all persons being CREDITORS of or otherwise having any CLAIM upon or against the estate of JAKOB EMIL SPINNER late of Bombay, European, Merchant, deceased who died at the Grand Hotel, Baden in the Republic of Switzerland on or about the 19th day of April 1904 and Letters of Administration with the will annexed of the property and credits of the said deceased were on the 18th day of February, 1905, granted by the High Court of Judicature at Bombay to John Spinner Esquire the duly constituted attorney of Ferdinand Spinner, Emil Leemann and Emil Rottenschweiler the Executors named in the said will of the said deceased (for their use and benefit and limited until they or any one or more of them should come in and obtain PROBATE of the said will granted to them or any one or more of them from the said High Court) having effect throughout the Province of Bombay I hereby required to send to the undersigned Solicitors for the said Administrator at their office at No 30 Esplanade Road, within the Fort of Bombay in writing their names and addresses and particulars of their claims upon or against the estate of the said deceased within one calender month from the date hereof at the expiration of which time the said Administrator will hand over the assets to the persons entitled thereto having regard only to the claims of which he shall then have notice.

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By order of the Municipal Commissioner for the City of Bombay, Messrs. MEHRJEE, JOHNSTON & Co., will sell by Public Auction at the Arthur Crawford Market, on MONDAY, the 13th March 1905, at 11 a.m., the right of collecting fair ground and feeding fees from cattle dealers, butchers, and all others at the Bombay Municipal Slaughter-houses, Bandora, for 12 months, from 1st April, 1905, to 31st March, 1906, and fees in the Fort Market, Arthur Crawford Beef Market, Arthur Crawford Fish and Mutton Markets, Erskine Road Fish Market Colaba Fish Markets, Pedder Road Fish Market Mazagon and Ferguson Road Fish Markets, Parel, from fresh and salt-fish sellers &c., who sit on the floor or other places not numbered, either in line or outside under the eaves of the markets, and also collecting fees for weighing goods at the scales of the Arthur Crawford Markets, for 12 months, from 1st April 1905, to 31st March 1906.

For particulars and conditions of these sales, respectively apply at the Municipal Commissioner's Office, Fort, or at the office of the Superintendent of Markets, Arthur Crawford Markets, or to the Undersigned. The Municipal Commissioner does not bind himself to accept the highest or any offer.

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FIXED DEPOSITS.

The Bank receives DEPOSITS FIXED for one year and shorter periods, at Rates of interest to be ascertained on application.

CURRENT DEPOSIT ACCOUNTS are opened for approved Customers, and interest is allowed at 2 per cent. per annum on daily balances from Rs. 1,000 up to Rs. 100,000, but no Interest is allowed when the sum accrued does not amount to Rs. 10 half-yearly.

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ROBERT R. ROSS,
Manager.

HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

Paid up Capital	$ 100,00,000
Sterling Reserve Fund	$ 100,00,000
Silver Reserve Fund	$ 8,000,000
Reserve Liability of Proprietors	$ 100,00,000

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CURRENT ACCOUNTS opened and interest allowed at 2 per cent. per annum on daily balances from Rs. 500 up to Rs. 1,00,000, but no interest is allowed when the sum accrued does not amount to Rs. 5 half yearly.

FIXED DEPOSITS received and interest allowed at rates which can be ascertained on application.

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SHIPPING INTELLIGENCE.

THE steamer Strathmore, 2295 tons, Captain Henry King will sail to-day for Calcutta in ballast.

THE B I S N Co's s s Onipenta, 3420 tons, Captain W H Hill sailed yesterday for Calcutta with a cargo of salt.

THE Hall Line steamer Trentham Hall, 2661 tons, Captain E Laidlag will sail to-day for Karachi with the same bottom cargo.

THE steamer Dagfred, 659 tons, Captain D M Milburg, will sail to-day for Hongong with a general cargo and 4 deck passengers.

THE steamer J B Aug Kessler, 3198 tons, Captain F Vander Biesen, arrived in harbour yesterday from Novorossick, 6th February with a cargo of 6000 tons kerosine oil in bulk.

THE B I S N Co's s s Linga, 943 tons, Captain R J Rickford arrived in harbour on Monday evening from Karachi 25th February via Kathiawar coast ports, with a general cargo and 328 deck passenger.

THE B I S N Co's s s Madura, 1273 tons, Captain H Bamber arrived in harbour yesterday from the Persian Gulf via Karachi with a general cargo and 12 deck passengers. During the voyage she experienced heavy rain from Karachi.

ARRIVALS.

Feb.	Vessel.	Commander.	From.
27	Linga s	Richford	Karachi, Feb 25
28	J B Aug Kessler s.	Biesen	Novorossick, Feb 6
	R I M S Hardinge	Hewett	Karachi, Feb 26
	Madura s	Bamber	Busreh, Feb 12

DEPARTURES.

Feb.	Vessel.	Commander.	Destination.
28	Kerbella s	Le Grand	Persian Gulf
	Trieste s	Mistrorigo	Kobe
	Bircswald s	Cray	London, &c.
	Onipenta s	Hill	Calcutta

The following vessels obtained their port clearances yesterday.
Steamer Dagfred, Milburg, for Bangkok.
" Trentham Hall, Laidlag, for Karachi.
" Strathmore, King, Calcutta.

The following vessels entered for loading yesterday.
Steamer Madura, for Persian Gulf.
" Ardito, for Calcutta.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAMS.)

STEAMER MOVEMENTS.

The Clan Macintosh arrived in London, on the morning of the 27th instant.

The Clan Line s s Clan Campbell, left Liverpool on the afternoon of the 28th instant.

The P and O S N Co's s s Caledonia arrived at Suez, from Bombay on the afternoon of the 28th instant.

The Florio and Rubattino S N Co's s s Ischia, from Bombay arrived at Singapore yesterday.

The Florio and Rubattino S N Co's s s Capri, left Penang for Bombay on the 27th instant and is expected on the 8th March.

The Homeward Bound Messageries Maritimes Co's s s Ville dela Ciotat from Bombay arrived at Aden on the 28th instant at 2 a.m.

BOMBAY LIGHT HORSE.

SQUADRON ORDERS, BY MAJOR T. W. CUFFE A. D. C. COMMANDING Bo. L. H,
Bombay, March 1, 1905.

1 The Squadron will parade at the Riding School this Wednesday morning the 1st instant at 7 a m punctually.
Dress.—Drill Order, Khaki, with Arms.

2 It is notified for information that the Annual Camp will open at Santa Cruz on the morning of Thursday the 9th March and will conclude with the annual inspection by the General Officer Commanding on the morning of Monday the 20th March.

3 Arrangements are being made to hold Point to Point Races at Santa Cruz on the afternoon of Tuesday the 21st of March.

By Order,
F. A. REDDIE, Lieut.
Acting Adjt, B. L. H.

BOMBAY VOLUNTEER ARTILLERY.

REGIMENTAL ORDERS, BY LT.-COL. LOUIS P. RUSSELL, COMMANDING B. V. A.
Bombay, March 1, 1905.

1 The following drills will take place this week.
No 1 Company.—Thursday (to-morrow) at 6-30 a m, and Friday at 5 p m—Colaba North Fort for 6th B L Gun drill.
Thursday (to-morrow) at 4-30 p m, Town Hall Compound Proficiency Class.
No 2 Company.—Thursday (to-morrow) at 5 p m, Colaba North Fort 6th B L Gun drill.
E E Company parade at 4-30 p m, at Apollo Bunder for Technical Instructions at Middle Ground on Thursday (to-morrow).

2 On Saturday next the Corps will parade at Colaba North Fort for practice from the 6th B L Guns (Gatacre Cup Competd). Time for each Coy will be notified later.
Dress:—Khaki Uniform-putties not to be worn.

By Order
A. STIFFE, Capt. R. A.
Adjt. B. V A.

BOMBAY VOLUNTEER RIFLES.

REGIMENTAL ORDERS BY LIEUT-COL. E. FERRERS NICHOLSON, V. D, COMMANDING.
Bombay, March 1, 1905.

1 The 118th Bombay Infantry Rifle Range at Santa Cruz will be available for Class Firing daily until further orders.
Members are earnestly requested to complete their Class Firing as soon as possible.

2 A and C Companies will parade on Wednesday the 1st instant at the Sir Richard Temple's Statue at 5 p m.
Dress.—Plain Clothes Rifles and Side Arms.

3 There will be Coy drill for D Coy at the back of Telegraph Quarters at 5 p m on Wednesday the 1st instant and every Wednesday until further orders.
Dress.—Plain Clothes Rifles and Side Arms.

4 E Coy (Cyclists) will parade at the Sir Richard Temple's Statue on Wednesday the 1st instant at 5 p m for Semaphore Signalling.
Members of other Companies are also invited to attend.

5 There will be instruction Drills for officers only at Head-Quarters at 6 p m on Wednesday the 1st instant.

By Order,
G. D. PRICE, Captain,
Adjutant B. V. R.

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Nature always gives a warning when anything goes wrong in the body.

If a pain attacks you, "stop and think" what it is and what causes it.

Do you realise what an important work the kidneys do? Do you know that every drop of your blood goes to the kidneys hundreds of times every day to be filtered and purified?

It is unfiltered blood that causes backaches, headaches, rheumatism, nervousness, heart trouble, kindney disease, languor, dizziness, sleeplessness, irritability, puffiness beneath the eyes; swollen ankles and limbs, despondency, too much or too little urine, sediment from the urine, gravel, and bladder troubles.

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Are your kidneys filtering your blood properly? If not, let Doan's Backache Kidney Pills, the great kidney medicine, do for you what they have done for thousands of others—heal and regulate your kidneys—make you strong and well.

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COMMERCIAL INTELLIGENCE

LONDON, FEB. 27.

Securities—		
2 1-2 per cent. Consols	£91 3-4	= + 5-8
3 do. Rentes	£100	= + 1-4
3 1-2 do. Indian Sterling Loan	£108 1-2	= unchanged
3 1-2 per cent. Indian Enfaced Rupee Paper	£66 5-8	= do
Silver—		
Spot in London	27 5-8	= + 5-16
2 months hence	27 1-4	= + 5-16
Spot in New York	60	= + 5-8
Exchanges—		
Paris cheques	25·21	= − 1-2
Berlin	20·49 3-4	= − 1-4
New York Demand	4·86 1-4	= − 1-8
Discounts—		
Bank of England	3 per cent	= unchanged
3 months' sight Bank Bills	2 1-2 per cent	= do
3 " " "	2 1-4 per cent	= do
4 " " Fine Trade Bills	2 7-8 per cent	= do
6 months' sight Fine Trade Bills	2 7-8 per cent	= do
Interest—		
Day to day loans	2 7-8 per cent	= do
7 day market loans	3 per cent	= do

Amount paid into the Bank of England about £100,000. Extra Council Bills allotments. Bill on Madras Rs. 10,000 at 1s. 4 1-16d.

SPECIE SHIPMENTS.

Silver to Calcutta £120,000

In Liverpool.—Cotton Market closed quiet. East Indian quiet. Manchester firm. Total sales 12,000 bales. Spot 4·14—7. Egyptian F. G. F. Brown 7 unchanged. Sold on speculation and for Export, 1,000 bales. Imports 1,000 bales. Futures closed quiet but steady.

Feb.-Mar 3·94 −9	Mar.-April 3·94 −9	April-May 3·97 −9
May-June 3·98 −9	June-July 4·00 −9	July-Aug. 4·00 −9
Aug.-Sept. 4·02 −9	Sep.-Oct. 4·03 −9	Oct.-Nov. 4·04 −9

Receipts at U S Ports	21,000 bales
Do. last year	18,000 "
Exports to Great Britain	24,000 "
Do. do Continent	2,000 "
In New York—	
Spot	mutilated*
Futures, month of March	7·18 — 12
Do. do. July	mutilated
In New Orleans—	
Spot	7 5-16 — 3-16
Futures, month of May	7·16 — 10
Do. do. Aug.	7·23 — 10
Tone at close	steady.

* Cause of decline mutilated.

Wheat afloat for U K 3,630,000.

Arrivals of Cotton, Wheat and Seeds into Bombay, for the 48 hours ending at 3 p. m., on Monday, 27th February, 1905 :—

Cotton	27,418 bales.
Wheat	8,361 cwts.
Linseed	17,814 "
Rape, Rai and Mustard	4,848 "
Gingellyseed	9,515 "
Poppyseed	391 "
Groundnuts	744 "
Castorseed	3,034 "
Rice	61,463 "
Myrabollams	3,578 "
Cottonseed	13,477 "
Mowraseed	353 "
Gram	1,445 "
Joowar	7,409 "
Maize	nil

IMPORTS OF TREASURE.
GOLD.

Bullion	Rs. 7,98,772
Silver and half Silver	Rs. 3,05,100

BOMBAY, FEB. 28.

Exchange—Tone steady.

Bank T. T.			1s. 4 1-32d
Bank Demand			1s. 4 1-32d
Credit Bills 3 Months' Sight D. A.			1s. 4 7-32d
Do 6	do	do	1s. 4 5-16d
French Francs 3	do	do	170 3-4
Marks 3	do	do	138 3-4
Hongkong 30	Days' Sight		136
Shanghai 30	do	do	191
Japan 30	do	do	148 1-2

GOVERNMENT PAPER—3 1-2 per cent. Tone

Cash	99·5
1st Settlement	99·5
2nd do	99·4

Money Market, Tone.

BANK RATE,—

Bank of England	since 21st April	3	per cent.
Bank of Bombay	do 16th February	7	do
Bank of Bengal	do 23rd February	7	do
Bank of Madras	do 24th January	6	do

SEEDS—

	Rs.	a. p.
Linseed,—Tone easier.		
Ready	6	7
Forward April-May	6	9
Rapeseed.—Tone steady.		
Brown Cawnpore, Ready.	6	4
Do Forward April-May	6	4
Yellow Cawnpore, Ready	6	12
Do Forward April-May	6	12
Poppyseed.—Tone easier.		
Ready	7	0
Forward April-May	7	6
Castorseed—Tone, steady.		
Ready	28	8
Forward April-May	30	0

GINGELLYSEED.—Tone, steady.

Hewree Khandeish	44-0
15 per cent Mixed	43-0
25 per cent "	42-0
50 per cent "	41-0
Black Kutnee "	34-0
Yellow Hingenghat "	48-0

WHEAT.—Tone steady.

White Delhi Wheat Ready	4 10 6
Do do Apl.-May.	4 10 0
35 per cent. White Pissi Apl-May	31 4 0

LIVERPOOL OPENING TELEGRAM.

Tone.—quiet.

Estimated sales	bales	10,000
Imports	do.	17,000

Feb-Mch. 3·95 +1	Mch.-Apl. 3·96 +1	Apl.-May 3·98 +1
May-June 3·99 +1	June-July 4·01 +1	July-Aug. 4·02 +1
Aug.-Sept. 4·03 +1	Sept.-Oct. 4·04 +1	Oct.-Nov 4·06 +1

COTTON.—There has again been a fall of Rs. 2 to 3 all round in the local market to-day, and at the decline buyers have come forward, and a fair amount of business has been put through. The enquiry has run chiefly on ready lots and March deliveries. The "Sutta" market opened at Rs. 200 for good Broach declined to Rs. 196 1-2 and closes steadier at Rs. 198.

Official quotations of the Bombay Cotton Trade Association, Limited :—

Bengal, H. G. (Ry. terms)	171—161	167—157	Ready
Bengals, M. G. (Ry. terms)	175—165	172—162	25 March
Sind-Punjab (M. G.)	175—165	172—162	Ready
Oomrawatee (descriptions) MG.	178—173	176—170	25 March
Khandeish, (M. G.)	171—165	163—162	Ready
Julgaum, (M. G.)	173—167	170—164	25 March
Khangaum fair staple (M-G) Karanja do. do. do. Akola do. do. do.	180 174 177 171		Ready 25th May
Oomra good staple	188—182	185—178	Ready
Dhamangaum Poolgaum M G	186—179	183—176	25 March
Nagpore Kamptee M G	186—183	186—179	Ready
Broach (M.-G.)	200 195		Ready
Do do	198		15-25 March
Dharwar (S.-G)	192		25 May
Westerns	183		do

DOMESTIC OCCURRENCES.

THE Charge for Announcements of BIRTHS, MARRIAGES DEATHS and MEMORIAM Notices (which must be authenticated by the name and address of the sender) is Rs. 2 for six lines or less, and 8 as. for every additional lines CASH strictly in ADVANCE.

BOMBAY.

MARRIAGE.

RANI—IRANI—February 26, at Girgaum, Allbless Baugh, Khodabanda Rustom Irani to Bai Shirin Kiamers Irani.

OTHER PRESIDENCIES.

MARRIAGE.

WEATHERALL—GRAY—Feb 18, at St Paul's Cathedral, Calcutta, by the Ven'bl, Archdeacon Kitchin, Arthur Allok Conway, son of H M Weatherall, Esq. J P Late D S P, Comilla, to Charlotte Arabella, daughter of the late C J and Elizabeth Gray, of Calcutta, and grand-daughter of the late General J C Charnock Gray.

DEATHS.

PATTON—Feb 15, at Calcutta, Ellen Robina, beloved wife of L P Patton.

NAHAPIET—Feb 19, at No 2 Mission Row Elizabeth dearly beloved wife of Mesrope M Nahapiet, and youngest daughter of the late M J Galstaun, Esq. aged 22 years, one month and 20 days.

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TABLETS
OF
SACCHARO CHIRETTINE
each containing 3 grains of the Remedy.
TONIC & FEBRIFUGE,
Three grains are equal in effect to one grain of Quinine,
Dose as a Tonic.
One or two Chirettones (3 to 6 grains) twice or thrice daily alone or dissolved in a little water or wine and water. 10 drops Tincture of Steel may be added when the system is much weakened.
DOSE AS A FEBRIFUGE.
Three or six Chirettones according to the violence of the attack and as the stomach will bear it. In Ague it should be given every 3 hours during the intervals between the paroxysms.
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TO-DAY.

Sun rises, 6h. 20m. Sun sets, 6h. 6m. High water, 7-48m., 9-21a. Low water, 2-32m. 2-9a.
Annual meeting, Bombay Chamber of Commerce, 3 p.m.
Municipal Standing Committee, 3-30 p.m.
Sale of Star of India Mills, Messrs. Menesse and Co.'s auction rooms, 3 p.m.
Meetings of James Greaves, Connaught, and Empress Mills, Forbes Street, 4 p.m.
Jumping Competitions, Elphinstone High School, 4-30 p.m.
Chamber of Commerce, ballot for two Elective Port Trustees, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.
Fitzgerald Brothers' Circus, Esplanade, 4 p.m. and 9-15 p.m.
Boxing Tournament, Oval, 9 30 p.m.

POSTAL NOTICE.—Mails for Mauritius Tamatave and Reunion via Tuticorin and Colombo will be closed at the General Post Office at 7 p.m. to-day. A supplemental mail will also be closed at 7 p.m. to-morrow.

JUMPING COMPETITION.—In connection with the Bombay High Schools Athletic meeting, a jumping competition was held yesterday afternoon in the Elphinstone High School and will be continued to-day, and to-morrow, when the final results will be declared.

ALLEGED CRIMINAL BREACH OF TRUST—At the Esplanade Police Court, yesterday morning, John Perkins, a European mechanic was charged with criminal breach of trust in respect of a piano, the property of Messrs. Misquita & Co., of Madras, on the 3rd December last. From Madras, the accused had made good his escape to Bombay, and here he was arrested the day before yesterday by the Bombay police, and was placed before the Chief Presidency Magistrate. The accused being unable to obtain bail was ordered to be sent back to Madras.

BOMBAY IMPROVEMENT TRUST.—At a special meeting of the Trustees for the Improvement of the City of Bombay held at their offices, yesterday afternoon, and presided over by Mr. W. L. Harvey, an application for the lease of the plot on which the Novelty Theatre stands was considered. It was resolved that the applicant be informed that his application could not be accepted for the present. The report of the Land Committee, regarding amended plans of the Young Men's Christian Association Buildings on Wellington Lines, was adopted. The meeting was then adjourned.

THE INDIAN GUARANTEE AND SURETYSHIP ASSOCIATION, LTD.—The thirty-third annual general meeting of the shareholders of this Association was held yesterday afternoon in the Oriental Buildings, Fort, Bombay, Mr. N. S. Glasebrook presiding. The report of the directors for the last year, which has been already published was adopted and a dividend at the rate of 12 1-2 per cent was declared. After other formal resolutions, the meeting passed a vote of heartful condolence at the sad death of Mr. E. R. Smetham, Chairman of the Board of Directors, and a copy of the resolution was resolved to be sent to the relatives of the deceased gentleman in England.

BHOWNAGAR NOTES.—The weather this side has now a monsoonish appearance, writes our Bhownagar correspondent. On Sunday night, Ningula, Botad and Wadhwan received smart showers of rain, while Bhownagar and other places had only drops. The plague has made its appearance at Rajkote, but the Camp hitherto remains untouched. At Bhownagar dead rats have been found in a place or two. The kind of weather we now experience is looked upon by the people as the harbinger of deadly diseases.—The passengers bound for Morvi, Rajkote, Wankaneer and other Stations have to travel via Dhola and Jetalser instead of via Wadhwan as before in consequence of the Morvi trains having ceased running between Wadhwan and Rajkote as the line is being converted into the metre gauge.

Y. M. C. ASSOCIATION.—An annual meeting of the Young Men's Christian Association, was held last night in the Central Branch Building, Appollo Bunder, Mr. H. E. E. Procter presiding. At the meeting there was present a fairly large number of members of the Association and those taking interest in its works. The Chairman proposed the adoption of the last year's report of the Committee, and in so doing addressed the meeting briefly on the responsibilities of the young men. Different speakers then addressed the meeting and appeals were made to young men to strengthen the funds of this Association. During the course of the proceedings a musical programme was also gone through. The meeting dispersed with a vote of thanks to the Chairman and the office-bearers.

THE SION ROAD TRAGEDY.—At the Morgue, yesterday, Mr. P. Byrne, Coroner for Bombay, concluded the adjourned inquest regarding the deaths of Singubai and her husband Akar Boodaji, aged forty and fifty years, respectively, who were alleged to have been murdered at Sion Road on the night of the 16th February by Lookaji alias Tookaram Moraji, a Bhundari toddy drawer. The accused and the deceased's son Govind were on hostile terms owing to the latter's misbehaviour with the former's daughter. On the evening in question Govind, went to Lookaji's toddy booth at Sion Road, where they had an altercation over the same subject. Subsequently Govind's parents went to Lookaji at his booth at Sion, to demand an explanation from him for quarrelling with their son. When Lookaji saw these people at his booth, abusing him, he flew into a rage and picking up a sharp instrument used in tapping toddy trees attacked them with it. He killed the woman on the spot and injured her husband so severely that he died at the hospital subsequently.—After the evidence of several witnesses was recorded, the jury returned a verdict of culpable homicide not amounting to murder against Lookaji.

AN OLD OFFENDER.—At the Esplanade Police Court, yesterday, Mr. J. Sanders Slater, Chief Presidency Magistrate committed Bagu Gani, a Hindu, to the High Court Criminal Sessions on a charge of house-trespassing with intent to commit theft. The accused bore a bad character, having bad fourteen convictions. The facts of the charge were that on the night of 25th ult, at about 11 o'clock, the accused went to the house of one Matubhai Narandas in the 3rd Bhoiwada lane, Bhuleshwar road. Matubhai was then sitting in his room on the second floor and when engaged in conversation with others he saw some one peeping into his room and then passing away. He twice called and asked who it was, but received no reply. He, with his companions then walked out into the passage and seized the accused as he was concealing himself. The accused first said that he had mistaken the place for a eating house. Then he said he had come there for a drink of water. To the Magistrate the accused said that at the time of his arrest he was drunk and knew not where he was. Evidence showed that the accused was quite sober when he was arrested and handed over to the police.

ENTICING AWAY A MARRIED WOMAN.—At the Mazagon Police Court, yesterday, Mr. J. W. S. Dracup disposed of a case in which Sumbhoo Bhiccoo, lately a postman, was charged with enticing away a Hindu woman named Awdi, wife of Shumbha Gainoo, a mill hand, Mr. B. R. Boyce, pleader, appeared for the complainant, while Mr. Kerker, pleader, defended the accused. The evidence showed that the complainant lived with his wife Awdi, in a chawl at Parel. The accused lived in another chawl in the same street. On the 11th April last the complainant on returning home from work missed his wife. He made inquiries and his suspicion pointed to the accused who also disappeared at the same time. Subsequently information was received in Bombay that the accused and the woman, Awdi, had been arrested at Ratnagari, where they had absconded. It appears that on their way to Ratnagiri they were met by a patrol on duty. On being questioned by the patrol, the accused said that he was a "wani" by caste and that the woman was his wife. On the other hand the woman on being interrogated said that she was a Maratha by caste. This aroused the suspicion of the policeman, as he knew Marathas could not marry a Wani. The Bombay police were communicated with and the accused was arrested. The Magistate convicted the accused and sentenced him to one month's rigorous imprisonment.

A TRADE-MARK CASE.

AT the Esplanade Police Court, yesterday afternoon, before Mr. J. Sanders-Slater, Chief Presidency Magistrate, Messrs. Harji Moolji and Co., Chemists and Druggists of Shaik Memmon Street, and Bombay Agents for Messrs Davis and Lawrence Co., of "painkiller" fame, charged Mohanlal Amirsee a chemist, having his shop in the market with selling goods with a false trade-mark. Mr. C. P. R. Young, barrister, with Mr. Noble, Solicitor appeared for the complainant and Mr. L. Robertson, barrister, with Mr. J. Vimadalal, Solicitor, defended the accused. When counsel for the prosecution was explaining to the Court, the resemblance that the "Painf-Killer" of the accused bore to the "Pain Killer" of Messrs. Davis and Lawrence, the proprietors of Dr. Hall's "pain-killer" counsel for the defence said that his client was willing to give an undertaking no longer to sell his "Pain-Killer." The prosecution however asked that defendant should pay the whole cost of the case. Defendant did not agree to this and the case was proceeded with.

The case for the complainant was that for the last eight years they had been the sole agents in the Bombay Presidency for "Pain-killer," of the Davis and Lawrence Co., the accused got up a certain medical compound which he sold and under the name of Pain Killer and reasonably calculated to cause it to be believed that it was the Davis and Lawrence Company's article. The defendant ploaded not guilty and evidence in the case having been led, the hearing stood adjourned.

CLAIM TO ANCESTRAL PROPERTY.

AT the High Court yesterday, the Hon. Mr. Justice Batchelor delivered judgmentr in the suit in which Ramabai, wife of Pandrinath Ramji, sued Ramchandra Shivram Jayakar, executor of the will of her mother Jankibai, widow of Ramchandra Jivanji, claiming from his possession of a house in Borebhat Cross Lane, and certain movable property. Mr. Padshaw and Mr. Bhandarkar, instructed by Messrs Mulla and Mulla appeared for the plaintiff. Mr. Jinnah and Mr. Vaidya, instructed by Mr. Hiralal Dayabhoy, appeared for the defendant. The facts of the case have already been reported. The plaintiff's case was that the property in Borebhat had been purchased by her father in 1884, from the sale proceeds of his ancestral property and he had conveyed the same for certain reasons in the name of his wife Jankibai. This was desired by the defendant, who maintained that the property in question was purchased by Jankibai from her own money. His Lordship held that the plaintiff was entitled to one moiety of the property in dispute, and ordered the Commissioner to take account of the rents and repairs. The plaintiff was ordered to pay her own costs and half the cost of the defendant, the latter bearing the other half of his own costs.

THE WEATHER.

(BY TELEGRAPH.)

SIMLA FEB 28.

Tuesday.—Pressure has risen slightly to briskly in the West Punjab, Gujarat and Norh-West Peninsula and has fallen in the Simla and Mussoorie Hills and the United Provinces. The depression in the West Punjab has partly filled up and has extended eastwards across the South Punjab. It has given Snow in the West Himalayas especially in Kashmir, and light to moderate rain in the plains of Upper India. Local rain has fallen in the Central Provinces and Chota Nagpur. Murree reports 2 inches, Rawalpindi and Umballa 1 1-2, Srinagar, Sialkot, Minimarg and Lahore 1, Ludhiana, Simla, Peshawar, Dekhan, Montgomery. Ranikhet and Sambalpur 1-2 an inch. More precipitation is likely in the Hills and Submontaine districts of Upper India during the next 24 hours and local rain is probable in the East Central Provinces of Chota Nagpur, Orissa and possibly South Bengal.

OBSERVATIONS TAKEN AT 8 A.M. ON TUESDAY, THE 28TH FEBRUARY.

SUMMARY.

Pressure changes have been very irregular showing a brisk to rapid fall in the Punjab, United Provinces, Lower Sindh and at Belgaum, a brisk rise at Ahmedabad, Deesa, Khandwa and Surat and a slight rise or fall elsewhere. The barometer is slightly in defect or excess of normal in Rajputana the Punjab, United Provinces and the eastern districts of the Central Provinces and in considerable, to large excess in most other districts.

Winds are very variable in direction and the force has been fresh to strong in Gujarat and at Aurangabad and Neemuch.

Temperature.—The greatest variations are :—Maximum 6° to 21° in defect of normal in the Punjab, United Provinces, Sind, Rajputana, over the greater part of Gujarat and at Raipur, Nagpur and Surat and minimum 6° to 17° in Sind, Rajputana, over the greater part of Gujarat and at Neemuch, Delhi and Sirsa. The highest temperature in the shade was 102° at Cuddapah and the lowest 36° at Jacobabad.

Cloud and Humidity.—The sky is partially cloudy at Delhi, Allahabad, Indore, Raipur, Nagpur, Akola, Bombay, Negapatam, Dwarka and Bhavnagar Para.

Rain in light showers fell at Nagpur, Raipur, Saugor, Jaipur and Delhi.

Weather.—The disturbed weather conditions are passing eastwards and weather is becoming clear in all districts except in the Persian area, where it again shows indications of being unsettled.

N. LESLIE,
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REVENGE AND CRIME.

SETTING FIRE TO A HOUSE.

AT the High Court, on the Appellate Side, the Hon. Mr. Justice Russell and the Hon. Mr. Justice Aston have disposed of an appeal in a case against Mukundas Birdichand, who was convicted by Mr. M. B. Tyebjee, Sessions Judge of Ahmednagar, in October last, of having caused mischief by fire, intending to cause the destruction of a building used for the custody of property, and was sentenced to four years' rigorous imprisonment and a fine of Rs 50. The Hon. Mr. D. A. Khare appeared for the accused; and Rao Bahadur V. J. Kirtiker, Government Pleader, appeared for the Crown.

It appeared that a fire occurred in a shop belonging to the complainant Punamchand, in which miscellaneous goods were stored, and in which one or two men sometimes slept at night, but which was not occupied on the night on which the fire took place. The fire was noticed about midnight, and the head constable, stationed in the village of Mirajgaon, in which it occurred, and other people came up and put it out. It was noticed next morning that a jacket, a cap, a wick or torch, two pieces of wire, and rags were under some pulse in the back part of the shop, nearly vertically under an opening in the roof, which used generally to be kept closed with iron dish or basket. The discovery of these articles in the shop raised the suspicion that the fire had not been accidental. The police and other people went through accused's house, which adjoins, to the roof of the complainant's shop to ascertain how the fire had been caused. It was noticed that kerosine oil had been spilled in the accused's shop, and there were marks of oil on the handle of the door in his shop at the steps going up to the roof, and on one of the steps, and on the iron basket in the opening in the complainant's roof. The accused's hand smelt of oil and the dhotur on him was stained with it. These circumstances led to the inference that he had caused the fire. He was arrested on the 23rd August last, the day following the fire, and made a statement to a magistrate confessing the crime. He stated that he had dropped a wick or torch, dipped in oil and lighted, and other articles into the shop through the opening in the roof. There was some evidence to show that the cap and jacket had been in his possession a short time previous to the date of the fire. The circumstantial evidence and the confession justified the belief that the accused caused the fire deliberately. The offence was committed out of malice. There had been ill feeling between the complainant and the accused. The former had detained a sum of Rs. 500 due to the latter. According to the accused, he had paid complainant Rs. 500 on his promising that he would get accused's cousin married. The promise had not been kept, and accused demanded back his money, which the complainant refused to refund. The accused, said the Sessions Judge, had helped to put out the fire, but he might have done so to ward off suspicion. He was connected with the complainant by marriage, and his house adjoined the complainant's shop. It was possible that he did not wish complainant's shop to be burned, fearing that the fire might spread to his own house. He went to help only after others had raised the alarm. Dissenting from the assessors, the Sessions Judge convicted the accused and sentenced him to four years' rigorous imprisonment and a fine of Rs. 50, or in default five months' further rigorous imprisonment.

Their lordships, after hearing the arguments of the pleaders, confirmed the conviction and sentence and dismissed the appeal.

KIDNAPPING A MINOR.

THE Hon. Mr. Justice Russell and the Hon. Mr. Justice Aston, presiding at the High Court, have disposed of an appeal in a case against a Hindu woman named Houshi Kom Hari, who was convicted by Mr. W. Baker, Additional Sessions Judge of Poona, in January last, of kidnapping and disposing of a minor girl, and was sentenced to four years' rigorous imprisonment on each charge, the sentences to run concurrently.

It appeared that, on the 12th September last, the girl Dhondi, who was kidnapped, left Katraj, where she resided with her brother Balla, for Poona to sell wood, accompanied by the accused, one Sarja, and Godi. In Poona the accused pressed Dhondi to come to Bombay and gave her dates to eat, mingled with a green substance which made her giddy. She bought glass bangles for her and took her to the station in a carriage. They proceeded to Bombay, and after arrival here, accused left her at the house of a Hindu woman of ill repute. Near her was living another woman named Radha, and the latter, influenced probably by jealousy of her neighbour, gave information to the police, who took Dhondi away and ultimately sent her to Poona, whence she was taken back to her brother who had been searching for her in vain. It was proved by medical evidence that Dhondi was a minor. That she was kidnapped by the accused was proved by several witnesses; and the Sessions Judge saw no reason why they should conspire against an innocent woman. The jury recommended the accused to mercy on the ground, that the minor went willingly. Her consent, said the Sessions Judge, if she gave it, was of course immaterial. The offence was a serious one, and the accused was sentenced to four years' rigorous imprisonment on each charge, the sentences to run concurrently.

Their lordships, on a consideration of all the circumstances, confirmed the conviction and sentence, and dismissed the appeal.

THE CITY MORTALITY.

THE Municipal Office returns for the twenty-four hours ending at 6 a. m. yesterday, give the following results :—

Wards.	Plague Attack.	Plague Deaths	Deaths from all Causes.
A Upper, Middle and Lower Colaba, Fort Northern, Fort Southern and Esplanade	7	7	11
B Mandvi, Chukla, Oomerkhadi and Dongri	32	29	43
C Market, Dhobi Talao, Fanaswady, Bhuleshwar, Khara Talao, and Kumbharwada	30	25	42
D Khetwadi, Girgaum, Chowpati, Walkeshwar, and Mahaluxmi	11	6	15
E Mazagon, Tarwady, 2nd Nagapada, Kamatipura, Tardeo, Byculla and 1st Nagapada	38	28	65
F Parel, Sewree and Sion	10	6	15
G Mahim and Worli	9	8	26
Water Division	1	0	1
Non-Resident and Unknown	0	0	0
Hospitals	0	8	24
Total	138	108	242
Total plague deaths to date	281,971	234,672	
Same date last year	130	124	192

SMALL-POX.

Attacks.	Deaths.
39	20

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Friday.—Old Police Court Girgaum, from 7 a.m. to 10 a.m.; Mr. Wasudeo Jagannath's Bungalow, Mahim (near the Railway Station, Dadar) from 8-30 a.m. to 10-30 a.m.;

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THE LIBERAL PROGRAMME.

MOST Liberals and many Conservatives have arrived at the conclusion that the next General Election will bring about the defeat of Mr. Balfour's Government and give a lease of official life to the other side. In anticipation of this occurrence, the leaders have indicated the lines on which they propose to base a constructive policy. They aim at securing the Irish vote, without which they cannot hope for a working majority. To all appearances, Lord Spencer is to be Premier, and though the Radical Press is displeased at the prospect, and the "Daily News," the leading organ of the party, complains that he will sit in a House where Liberalism has almost ceased to exist and where, until the Free Trade controversy began to stir the dry bones of the Upper Chamber, hardly the echoes of the voice of the people are heard, where no Dissenter sits, and no workman. The reply to their objection is to be found in a speech Sir. Henry Campbell-Bannerman made the same day that Earl Spencer's letter was published. He too sounds the call to arms, and apparently the simultaneous publication of the two declarations of policy had been carefully pre-arranged. Earl Spencer declines to call his manifesto a political programme, but the Radical Press prefers to regard it as such, treating, as it does, the situation created by Government's clinging to office, the raising of the Fiscal question and the demand for legislation reversing or amending some of the measures passed by the present Parliament. Earl Spencer considered that the retention of office by Mr. Balfour is contrary to the best interests of the nation, for no Ministry is, in any possible way, justified in postponing the appeal to the constituencies which can alone put to rest and settle the great fiscal question—which, by the way, the Liberals insist upon putting in the first place among the intentions of the present Government. True, Earl of Spencer recognises there are differences between Mr. Chamberlain and Mr. Balfour. The former wishes for definite commercial ties between the mother country and her colonies duties on food stuffs, but a change in the tariff so that the cost of food to the people will be no more; and the taxation of particular foreign manufactures. Mr. Balfour wishes a deletion of the doctrine from their maxim of public conduct that there must be no taxation except for revenue purposes, and fiscal hanges which, if not protective at the outset, are certain to develop into protection. With two such conspicuous politicians bent on a fiscal retrogression, observes Lord Spencer, "a continuance of the present Government, unsupported on the issue by the public, is a scandal, and the danger is increased by one special proposal, which, in a sense, they both make."

Sir Henry Campbell-Bannerman puts the matter less elegantly, if more forcibly, when he declares that Mr, Chamberlain would kill Free Trade outright, while Mr. Balfour would torture it to within an inch of his life, and we should never know, when once it got into his hands, when or how the end would come. Both Liberal leaders agree that their party is bound to give the most strenuous opposition to either proposal. Earl Spencer does not object to the assembly of a Colonial conference, "at the proper time and on proper questions. But when men talk of a conference on the Fiscal question, a vast subject of unusual importance is raised." Can a conference have power to settle this subject of fiscal reform? he asked. And to the inquiry, he replies: "No conference can settle the Fiscal question until the country has pronounced its opinion upon it. To ask whether we are in favour of so-called Fiscal Reform is to confuse the issue. The latter question must be answered by the constituencies before the former question can properly be put to them." Instead of setting forth their own plans clearly and straightforwardly, both the leaders prefer to abuse their opponents. Sir Henry Campbell-Bannerman accuses the Conservatives of a spirit of political hooliganism, but Earl Spencer, who is less given to appealing to the ignorance of the lower classes than his colleague, accuses the party of having made laws in spite of the strongest Parliamentary opposition and against ever-growing signs of public disapproval. But the Liberal platform, as pictured by the two principal leaders, has few planks in it. And even these are but narrow ones. If a Radical Government is returned to power, it seems it will aim at an entire reversal of the policy of its predecessors. It offers to try and "place the schools that were paid for out of public money under public control and to set limits to that vested interest of business which the present Government has called into being."

Taxation and local rates are to receive some attention. Earl Spencer believes that legislation of the Government on this subject was entirely wrong. It favoured one class more than another, at the cost of the whole country and neglected many parts of the problem." His lordship is confident that the proper mode of treating the subject is to introduce, as soon as possible, a broad and comprehensive measure to deal with the whole basis and incidence of taxation and rating, which both in town and country are now antiquated and need drastic reform. Earl Spencer is willing to recognise the successful effects made to draw nations close together by friendly negociation or treaties of arbitration and to concern in the recent steps taken by the country in the direction of diminishing the chances of war. Sir Henry Campbell-Bannerman will say nothing of this. His role is to condemn, and he accuses the Government of wriggling, dissembling and deceit and of flouting the people. Earl Spencer would study the surest and soundest means of settling many questions of policy which have been the subject of bitter contention and have stirred so deeply the moral sense of England and her colonies. At home, he would aim at the development of local Government and judiciously extend the powers of local bodies "Nor can we, in this connection, ever forget Ireland. Liberals will always be ready at the proper moment," says the Earl, "to extend the application of the principle of self-government in that country whose sufferings from misgovernment have so often been a danger to the State," There is not much that is tangible in this and we doubt if the Irish vote will be secured by a promise so vague. The Radical press makes much of this failing on the part of Earl Spencer, though the Conservative organs profess to see in it the indication of a definite policy of Home Rule for Ireland. It is evident, however, that the subject is to be kept in the air until it is seen how the Irish vote is likely to go, and this will then be the highest bid that the Liberal party will make for its majority. If it be a choice between Earl Spencer and Sir Henry Campbell-Bannerman for the leadership, however, we cannot see how there can be any hesitation. The vigorous methods and violent language may appeal to the mob, but there is more hope in the dignified, if misguided, leadership of Earl Spencer,

THE CUTCH RAILWAY. THE Cutch merchants in Bombay have taken the occasion of the presence of H. H. the Rao as a guest of Government in Calcutta to present to the Viceroy another petition on the subject of the linking up of the railway connection between Bombay and Sind by a line through the State of Cutch. For reasons which are not quite clear, his Highness has opposed the construction of a railway through his territories, much as it is desired by the inhabitants of the State as well as by those of his subjects who carry on trade and commerce in Bombay. The latter have been alarmed by the suggestion that the attitude of his Highness may compel the connection, which is desirable for stategic purposes, to be made by a line to the north of the Runn; and they appear to be sparing no pains to prevent as far as they can, anything of the kind. In their latest memorial they declare they cannot understand the reasons which lead H. H, the Rao of Cutch to resist so stubbornly the construction of a railway through his territories. Since 1899 the Province has had an unhappy experience of famine and scarcity, and there is now another failure of crops. At the best of times Cutch is largely dependent on imported food stuffs, and during times of scarcity the absence of rapid means of transporting grain and fodder through the territory is severely felt. The memorial attributes the death of a large number of people and cattle in the Province, during the great famine of 1899-00, to the absence of regular through land communication which prevented sufficient supplies of food and fodder being conveyed to the sufferers. The memorialists even go much farther. They quote the words of a writer who forty-four years ago commented on the absence of inland railway or water communication, the absence of public institutions and the imposition of frightfully heavy taxes. This writer placed it on record that Cutch had not made any advance in civilization since the British connection began in 1819. Instead of improving since 1861, the memorialists declare the state of affairs has gone from bad to worse, and it is suggested that the present condition of the country is a fit subject for inquiry. The picture drawn may not be entirely accurate, but it is enough to say that with a considerable trade, which might be largely increased, Cutch has few facilities for commerce. The Province has valuable natural resources at present untouched, the development of which would follow the construction of the railway. If there were no Imperial interests to render the connection between Bombay and Karachi by the most direct route extremely desirable, the provincial interests of Cutch alone would suffice to make the projected line through the State an undertaking of great utility. It is believed that the visit of H. H. the Rao to Calcutta is not unconnected with the discussion of this [illegible]me, and it would be a matter for satisfaction if H. E. the Viceroy were able to persuade his Highness that the project is calculated to promote the best interests of his State.

ENGLAND'S UNEMPLOYED. THE acute distress occasioned by the want of employment in London and other parts of England during the winter and the necessity for some attempt to deal with the problem involved were recognised by the Government. The programme of legislation foreshadowed for the present session of Parliament by the King's speech included a measure to deal with the evils caused by want of work, but so far there is little to indicate the nature of the proposals which the Government intend to make. A deputation which waited upon Mr. Balfour, the other day, received no more enlightenment than was contained in an exposition of the difficulties of the problem and a statement of what Government was not likely to do. The Prime Minister doubts that afforestation would be a paying investment and believes that, where it does pay, land-owners are only too glad in the present condition of agriculture to apply it themselves With some dubiety also he considers that farm colonies might do something to check the migration to the towns, and there seems to be an indication that the proposals of the President of the Local Government Board will include something on those lines. But generally, the Prime Minister has no confidence in the ability of Governments or State Departments to successfully manage any enterprise of an industrial nature. The record of the Ministry provides corroboration for Mr. Balfour's view and he is candid enough to ackowledge it. "Remember," he said, "every day of the week I hear cartloads of abuse hurled at the Government for their total incompetence to deal with any of the branches of administration which are undoubtedly within their province. Whether we are incompetent or not," he sagely added, "I have no reason to believe that we are likely to be improved upon by our successors." Whereat the Trade Union deputation laughed consumedly. But a reference to the dismissal of workmen from the arsenals and factories, as a consequence of reduced necessities after the Boer War, gave the Premier a chance to score off his audience. "What is the use,' he inquired "of denouncing the Government for their bloated armaments if at the same time they are attacked for the most obvious and necessary economy which the changing conditions of the country enable them to carry out?" For the rest, the Premier deprecated any change in the Poor Law or experiment in national workshops which might end in disaster. Government agreed that some permanent machinery should be adopted which should always be ready to deal with occasions of distress, but they did not feel that experiments could be made on the lines suggested by the Trade Unions. The result of Mr. Balfour's non-committal attitude is, therefore, to maintain a lively interest in the nature of the remedies that Government may propose.

THE statement of traffic of the Ahmedabad-Dholka Railway for the week ending 14th January amounted to Rs. 1,913, being an increase on the corresponding week of last year of Rs. 191. Total earnings from 1st January to 14th January were Rs. 3,897, being a decrease on the corresponding period of last year of Rs 457.

THE statement of traffic of the Tapti-Valley Railway for the week ending 14th January amounted to Rs. 17,777, being an increase on the corresponding week of last year of Rs. 3.580. Total earnings from 1st January to 14th January were Rs. 35,623, being a decrease on the corresponding period of last year of Rs. 1,504.

THE statement of traffic of the Ahmedabad-Prantej Railway for the week ending 14th January amounted to Rs. 3,832, being an increase on the corresponding week of last year of Rs. 765. Total earnings from 1st January to 14th January wese Rs. 7,271, being an increase on the corresponding period of last year of Rs. 32.

DESPATCHES from Reykjavik state that four somewhat serious earthquake shocks were felt there in the course of the evening of January 28.

A FINE ghost story comes from Hove. A young man was cycling down the Nunnery Walk when he saw another young man on a bicycle. The second young man, like the machine he rode, was "transparent!" There is so far, no sequel to this weird story.

A REMARKABLE sequel to influenza is chronicled by a Birmingham doctor. A lady patient on recovering from a severe attack was told by her friend that her handwriting had completely changed its character. A few days later the doctor had a cheque returned from the bank marked, "Signature differs." This was paid in by one of his influenza patients, who subsequently said the bank had demanded a new signature from him.

THE largest sales on record in the history of the automobile industry have been effected recently in New York. In the period over which the two local shows extended more than twelve million dollars' worth of automobiles were sold, while negotiations were entered upon which will probably result in the disposal of nearly as many more before the opening of the season.

A CASE of ankylostomiasis was reported recently to a County Council. The chairman of the Health Committee explained that the miner with the disease had been offered £1 a week if he would remain in the hospital. Elsewhere he had been offered considerably more to undergo treatment. He refused, however, his mother declaring that "if her son was suffering from such a valuable disease he had better keep it."

CHINA is advancing rapidly in her use of electricity for public purposes. Shanghai was the first town to adopt it, but others are now following her example. In Tientsin, the German firm of Arnhold, Karberg and Company set up an electric light installation in the British concession. In Ningpo, a company has been formed for erecting the buildings necessary for housing and electric installation which will light the town. The machinery will be supplied by the New York Import and Export Co., and the total cost will be 400,000 taels.

INTERESTING light on age in fowls has, says "Feathered Life," been thrown by a case at Millton Ashover. Seventeen years ago, a Mrs. Fletcher reared a brood of old English game chickens. One of the hens has since been kept by Mrs. Fletcher as a pet until its death recently. The old bird kept on laying until the season before last. Her eggs during the past few years have gradually diminished in size until the last, still in Mrs. Fletcher's possession, was no bigger than a thrush's. The bird, as old age advanced got less and less in size until she was little bigger than a pigeon. The age of the fowl seems to be well authenticated.

SIX native officers are about to arrive in England from India, to act as Orderlies to the King during the forthcoming London season. During their stay in England, these officers will be on duty at Buckingham Palace and Windsor, returning to India in August. It is now two and a half years since King Edward directed that, as a mark of his appreciation of the good work performed by the Indian Native Army, six of its officers should be selected every year to spend four months in London in personal attendance upon himself. This year's contingent of officers will represent the different Gourkha regiments.

IN Mr. Arthur H. Beavan's "Birds I Have Known" (Unwin), just published, some stories of bird-life are told. One concerns "Master Jack, of Brixton"—a jackdaw which lived at a tavern, where his special roosting and perching place was a bottle which stood in the bar: He was a born explorer, and frequently travelled on the tops of omnibuses, and though several times lost, always returned to his owner. Brixton's jackdaw was exhibited at the Crystal Palace, where he was confined in a cage which bore the announcement that a reserve of £100 was placed upon him. Master Jack was described by the judges as one of the finest jackdaws they had ever seen. Among many exploits of this remarkable bird was a day's journey with a cabman over the Metropolis.

THE French Army boasts a figure, more venerably picturesque, perhaps, than can be claimed by any other Army in the world. This rare old veteran may safely be described as the doyen of his craft in France. But he is something more. In spite of twelve campaigns such as the Crimea, Italy and the German invasion, with battles like those of the Malakoff, Magenta, and Solferino, and nine wounds to show for his service, the angel who registers the "score" of human life, the other day recorded of Major Desmaret—"100, not out." The old soldier, with eleven campaigns, and eight wounds, had already taken his merited retirement when the disasters of 1870, fired his patriot ardour to a last campaign, in which he received his ninth wound while serving as a Volunteer with Franc Tireurs, hated of every German. A curious detail of a wonderful life is that Major Desmaret was in early life an engraver on metal, and though an enfant de troupe, only joined the Army in his 28th year. Melun, where the old veteran resides, threw itself heart and soul into a festival, with which every soldier of all nations, and most civilians will heartily sympathise.

ADMIRAL VON SPAUN.

THE UMPIRES' UMPIRE.

OF the five members of the International Commission that has just concluded its sittings in Paris, Admiral von Spaun was the one whose sayings and doings were scanned with most interest for all the world was alive to the fact that, however, it might be, when they were before the public, he held among his colleagues, when they were in secret conclave, a dominant position. He was practically the only independent member, the only member who could quite be relied upon to consider the evidence brought before the Commission from a perfectly unbiassed standpoint. Admiral Beaumont was the representative of England, and Admiral Davis of England's good friend, America; Admiral Doubassoff was the representative of Russia, and Admiral Fournier of Russia's good friend and ally, France; none of the four, therefore, could claim to rank quite as impartial investigators. With the best will in the world to judge fairly, says a writer in the "World" in an article published during the sittings of the Commission two of them must be inclined instinctively to make much of statements that tell in favour of England; and the other two to make much of those that tell in favour of Russia. Thus they are briefholders rather than arbitrators, advocates rather than judges; and to expect them to keep the balance even between conflicting testimonies is to expect too much of human nature. With Admiral von Spaun, however, it is different. He represents on the Commission neither England nor Russia, but the outside world personified in the Austrian Emperor—a Sovereign renowned for his love of peace and keen sense of justice; one who has no concern whatever in the matter in dispute, and who is the warm friend of both King Edward and Tsar Nicholas He is there by the request not of one of these two Powers, but of both, and for the express purpose of acting as umpire, should the necessity arise, between the chosen representatives of the one and those of the other. Should it come to voting, he will always have the casting vote. Practically, he holds the balance of power, for, by throwing his influence on the one side or the other, he can decide any question that may arise. Thus for the time being his personality is a matter of unique and general importance.

When the news reached Vienna that England and Russia had agreed to invite the Emperor Franz Josef to nominate the fifth member of the International Commission, although there was great satisfaction at the compliment paid to the venerable monarch, there was also some little anxiety. Latter day, Austrians have so many difficulties of their own to contend against that they have a nervous dread of being in any way mixed up in the difficulties of their neighbours; the thought, therefore, of one of their admirals, being called upon to stand, as it were, between England and Russia, even as conciliator, did not cause them unalloyed pleasure. When they heard, however, that Admiral von Spaun was the one chosen, their minds were at once set at rest; for the Admiral is, as they all agreed, the last man in the world ever to say or do anything that could cause embarrassment to his country. No matter, how delicate be the work he has to do, he may safely be trusted, as they know, to do it not only intelligently, but prudently, tactfully—in such a way, in fact, as to win the personal sympathy and good-will even of those whose plans he must, perhaps, thwart. There is no chance of his stepping on toes, even in the most crowded of Council Chambers; no chance of his ruffling susceptibilities, or giving mischief-makers an opening for plying their calling; no chance, in fact, of his affording those anxious to pick a quarrel an opportunity for so doing. Thus even the most timorous of his fellow-countrymen could wish him "bon voyage" with a light heart when he started off for Paris; even the most pessimistic among them was fain to admit there was no reason to apprehend that from his going, trouble would result to Austria.

AN IDEAL ARBITRATOR.

Admiral von Spaun is certainly well fitted, alike by nature and by training, to play with distinction and success the difficult role he has now to play as fifth member of the International Commission. In many respects, indeed, he is quite an ideal arbitrator. For one thing, he has that subtle charm of manner which is in itself an all-important factor when the smoothing away of difficulties is the work in hand. For another, he is not only a clever man but—what in the case in question is much more essential—a man of sound common-sense, sober judgment, and great discretion. He has sharp eyes and a clear understanding; he sees things as they really are, and grasps at a glance their true bearing. Although there is nothing of the lawyer about him, he may be relied upon to show nice discrimination in sifting the evidence with which as Commissioner he has to deal. This is, of course, the more easy for him, as he is an expert of the first order in all that relates to the sea, and has had an almost unrivalled experience in dealing with seafaring men, under somewhat trying conditions.

When Baron von Spaun—he is Baron as well as Admiral—entered the Austrian navy, now nearly fifty years ago, it was manned almost entirely by Venetians and Dalmatians, races on whose loyalty Austria had little reason to count. In the first war in which he was engaged—that against France and Sardinia, in 1859—for every man on board the Austrian ships who wished success to Austria, there were probably half-a-dozen who wished success to her foes. There were trying times for Austrian officers, times in which it was no easy task to win distinction. Young von Spaun won it none the less, and with it promotion; for he not only fought with conspicuous bravery, but he handled his men with consummate skill. In the war against Denmark in 1864 he did good service to Austria as first lieutenant of the Don Juan d'Austria, an armoured cruiser which was always well to the fore wherever there was fighting going on. Two years later he helped to secure for her a brilliant victory at the very time when she needed one most. He was first lieutenant on board the Ferdinand Max, which rammed two of the enemy's battleships at Lissa.

REORGANISER OF THE AUSTRIAN NAVY.

During the seventies the Baron was well-known in London, where as Austro-Hungarian naval attache he contrived to gain for himself considerable personal popularity, while obtaining much valuable information for his country. He was, and still is keenly interested in his profession, and he devoted himself heart and soul while in England to learning all there was to be learnt concerning the organisation of the British Navy On his return to Vienna, the Emperor showed his appreciation of Admiral von Spaun's great ability by asking him to undertake the naval training of the Archduke Karl Stefan, and later by making him commander of the Imperial yacht. Meanwhile, the Admiral had set his heart on reorganising the Austrian navy, or, at any rate, on bringing about in it certain reforms; for, while studying the working of the English naval system, he had become painfully alive to the defects of the system in force in Austria. He was hugely delighted, therefore, when in 1886, he was appointed chief of the technical committee of the Austrian Admiralty, a post which he held until 1897, when he became commander of the Austrian navy. This office he retained until he retired from active service a few months ago. Both as chief of the technical committee and commander of the navy, Admiral von Spaun gave proof of brilliant ability, especially as an organiser. Unfortunately, all the time he was in office he had great difficulties to contend against; for, let him say or do what he would, he could not obtain the money needed for the work he wished to do. Everything that could be done with the meagre supplies he was granted, he certainly did; but some of the very reforms he was most anxious to bring about he could not achieve because he had not the wherewithal to defray the expenditure they would have entailed. The admiral is much too thorough a sailor to mix himself up in politics; thus, so far as the world knows, he may be a staunch democrat or he may be a reactionary of reactionaries. That he has many points of sympathy with England, however, is certain.

THE Crown Prince of Germany and his fiancée, Duchess Cecile of Mecklenburg-Schwerin, have arrived in Florence for a stay of three weeks. The Prince, with his suite, are at the Hotel di V[illegible] while the Duchess and her mother are at the [illegible] Hotel.

THE GREAT BATTLE.

JAPANESE FLANKING MOVES.

ANOTHER RUSSIAN REVERSE.

FRESH COMPLAINT AGAINST JAPAN.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

LONDON, FEB. 27.

The "Times" correspondent at St. Petersburg says that the transport of troops to the front has been greatly delayed all the winter, and none of the reinforcements despatched in December will reach General Kuropatkin before April.

General Kuropatkin reports that the Japanese have turned both flanks of the Russian force at Tsinkhechen. He vaguely reports Japanese attacks at several other points some of which were apparently successful and others repulsed.

LONDON, FEB. 28.

Russia has issued a Circular Note to the Powers in which she declares the Japanese have violated China's neutrality by appearing in the rear of the Russian Army West of the Railway.

POLAND'S INSURRECTION.

Peasantry Join the Strikers.

A SERIOUS SITUATION.

LONDON, FEB. 28.

Reuters' correspondent at Warsaw states that the peasants in Poland incited by the Socialists are joining the strike movement.

This is a most serious development as seven tenths of the population are peasants.

MAXIM GORKI RELEASED.

Expelled From Petersburg.

Maxim Gorki as been released, but expelled from St. Petersburg. He has no gone to Riga.

REVOLT IN ARABIA.

Insurgents' Successes.

TWO TOWNS CAPTURED.

LONDON, FEB. 27.

Almost the whole of Yemen and South Sana is in a state of insurrection and two towns are in the hands of the insurgents who are increasing in numbers.

It is difficult to send reinforcements there and moreover the troops are deserting.

THE DUTY ON TEA.

No Prospect of Remission.

Mr. Austen Chamberlain, receiving a deputation of tea distributors urging a reduction of duty, said he wished he saw any prospect of remissions. He was unable to make any definite statement prior to the Budget, but promised to carefully consider their representations.

GERMAN NAVAL ESTIMATES.

Reduction by the Reichatag.

The German Reichstag has reduced the Naval estimates by over three million marks.

The items rejected include the proposed river gun-boats for Asia.

OBITUARY.

Guy Newell Boothby, the novelist, is dead.

Guy Newell Boothby was born in Adelaide South Australia, on October 13th 1867, and was therefore not yet thirty-eight years of age. He was the eldest son of Thomas Wilde Boothby, for sime time member of the South Australia House of Assembly. Educated at Salisbury, Guy Boothby crossed Australia from North to South in 1891 and afterwards travelled in the East. He published his first book "On the Wallaby" in 1894 and since then had been a most prolific writer the list of his publications including In Strange Company, 1894; The Marriage of Esther, 1895; A Lost Endeavour, 1895; A Bed for Fortune 1895; Beautiful White Devil, 1896; Dr. Nikols, 1896; Fascination of the King 1897; Billy Binks, Hero and other stories, 1898; Bushigrams 1898; Across the World for a Wife 1898; Pharos, the Egyptian 1899; Love Made Manifest, 1899; Dr. Nikolas' Experiment, 1899; A Sailor's Bride, 1899; A Maker of Nations, 1900; A Cabinet Secret. My Indian Queen; The Mystery of the Clasped Hands. A Millionarie's, Love Story, and Farewell Nikola 1901.

THE ROLT CASE.

THE COMMISSION OF INQUIRY.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

CALCUTTA, FEB. 28.

The Rolt case inquiry Commission at Kishtanganj was occupied yesterday with the examination and cross-examination of Asufalli who was for many years manager of the Khagra estate before Mr Rolt assumed that appointment and who was one of the witnesses for Mr. Rolt's prosecution. His evidence had relation to a sum of Rs. 3,500 alleged to have been paid by him to Mr. Rolt as a bribe for giving a favourable report upon a claim against the estate.

His cross-examination had reference chiefly to his relations with Shujaat Ali and the latter's antecidents and hostility to Mr Rolt.

SIR IAN HAMILTON.

Sir Ian Hamilton is expected in Calcutta at the end of March as Lord Kitchener's guest.

Lord Kitchener will probably visit Rajputana on his way up to Simla in the beginning of April.

For immediate delivery 10 H. P. two Cylinder Clement Cars, Rs. 5,400.—Sole Agent for India, E. J. Lee, 28, Esplanade Road Bombay.

THE BENGAL CHAMBER OF COMMERCE.

ANNUAL MEETING.

NEXT YEAR'S COMMITTEE MEMBERS,

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

CALCUTTA, FEB. 28.

Speaking at the annual meeting of the Bengal Chamber of Commerce the President, the Hon. Mr. A. A. Apcar said :—"Fiscal Reform is a very thorny subject. I do not intend to obtrude my views upon you. I would only mention that India has grown up expanded under the system of absolute free trade; that while Great Britain supplies us with 65 per cent of our imports, she only takes from us 27 per cent of our exports. The European and American countries, which under the system of protection would probably be penalised, take no less than 34 per cent of our exports. Now India is a debtor country. She possesses the monopoly of only a few articles of export of which jute and lac are the chief, so that any scheme of protection would require to be most carefully considered. I am glad to see that it is now being recognized at home that India must be consulted before any grand fiscal reform is carried out. Whether her opinion will be considered remains to be seen."

The President reported the following result of the election for the Committee of the Chamber for the next year :—President, Hon. Mr. A. A. Apcar. Members, Mr. T. Fraser, Mr. J. D. Nimmo, Mr. C. W. N. Graham Mr. D. C. Blair, Mr. A. M. Monteath Mr. E. and Henry.

LORD KITCHENER ON MAHOMEDAN EDUCATION.

Speaking at a prize distribution of the Calcutta Madrassah to-day upon the subject of the interest taken by Europeans in the education of Mahomedans in this country, Lord Kitchener said that the West was only giving back to the East something of what it had learnt from it in the past, a debt which the British Government desired to do all in its power to repay. His Excellency also told his hearers of the success which was being achieved by the Gordon College, he had been instrumental in getting started at Khartoum, where it was doing for the Mahommadans of Soudan what the institutions like the Calcutta Madrassah were effecting in India.

LORD LAMINGTON RETURNS TO BOMBAY.

Lord Lamington and Lord Newton leave Calcutta to-night for Bombay. Lord Lamington is accompanied by Captain Meynell.

THE RAO OF CUTCH.

The Viceroy to-day received formal visits in the Throne Room from His Highness the Rao of Cutch and also from Tang Tachen, the Imperial Chinese Commissioner and Plenipotentiary.

A PERSIAN LECTURESHIP.

Colonel Ranking, Secretary to the Board of Examiners, Calcutta, has accepted a Lectureship in Persian at Oxford.

THE ROYAL VISIT TO INDIA.

The Prince of Wales is expected in Calcutta about next Christmas. Hyderabad is likely to be taken on his tour which may also include a tiger shoot in Nepal.

SNOW IN KABUL.

Fresh snow fell a week ago in Kabul.

POINT TO POINT RACES AT POONA.

POONA, FEB. 28.

The Subalterns of the 93rd Highlanders organised a point to point race this afternoon near the Ganeshkhind Clock Tower gate. The attendance was fair. The band of the regiment was present. In the last event Messrs Fletcher and Fox, and Kennedy on Pluto both fell though, luckily, were not hurt. One bookmaker was present and made things lively. The following are the details:—

Firt event. Pony race for subalterns; distance 2-1-4 miles.

Mr Forbes's Petrovel	1
Mr Davies' Kittygrey	2
Mr Maclean's Jill	3

Also ran Collector, Thomas, Hartley, Bombardier, Tick, Orion, Benn and Stillon.

Betting twos Thomas and Bombardier, fives Collector, eights Petrovel and Jill and 105th others.

All went in a bunch, but were soon extended in order. Petrovel was well to the front and kept the lead and won easily by many lengths.

Second event. A race for horses owned by officers and members of the Indian Civil Service in Poona or Kirkee, distance 2 1-4 miles.

Major Edwardes' Runaway Girl	1
Major Wogan Browne's Domino	2
Mr Kennedy's Ariadne	3

Also ran Cobalt, Fatboy, Waterloo and Belinda.

Betting twos Runaway Girl, threes Cobalt and Aridne and long odds the rest.

Runaway Girl took the lead in negotiating the jumps well, and won easily by six lengths.

Third event was a race for ponies. Open to officers and members of the Indian Civil Service, distance 2-1-4 miles.

Mr Anderson's Content	1
Mr Ringmaster	2
Major T P England's Coronation	3

Also ran Columbine, Friar, Flycatcher, Eno, Arac, Nugget, Nipper, and Welcome. Pluto fell as also Rose.

Betting twos Eno, fours Columbine and Ringmaster, 10s others.

Won easily by three lengths.

MILITARY INTELLIGENCE.

Major Rimington Assistant Director-General Military works, has five months' leave outside India.

ARRIVALS, FEBRUARY 27.

Lieut A E Kennedy, A. and S. Highlanders, from England.

2nd-Lieut A Thackwell, 81st Pioneers, from Secunderabad.

Lieut G C Catly, 69th Punjabis, from Bangalore.

Captain A C Henderson, 26th Light Cavalry, from Secunderabad.

Captain E C Wren, 1st Devon Regiment, from Shahjehanpur.

Captain R C Moore, A V D, from Meerut.

Captain C A Caruthers, 2nd South Staffordshire Regiment from Allahabad.

DEPARTURES, FEBRUARY 27.

Lieut F L S Brett, 21st Goorkhas, to England.

Captain A C Henderson, 27th Light Cavalry, to England.

Lieut T C Catly, 69th Punjabis, to England.

Lieut S F G Palin, A V D to Muttra.

Captain Anderson McKendrick, I M S, to Benares.

Major J D Alexander, R A M C to Deolali.

Captain J H Anderson, 2nd East Lanc. Regiment to Poona.

Lt.-Col. G H Bull, I M S to Poona.

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ART, MUSIC AND THE DRAMA.

The Picture Exhibitions.

A WHISTLER COLLECTION.

"THE LADY OF LEEDS."

LONDON, FEB. 10.

An exhibition opened on Monday at the Leicester Galleries of drawings by Mr. Denholm Armour of hunting and other sports, executed originally as illustrations for "Punch," together with a number of coloured studies, and a good oil painting of a mother-dog and her family of puppies, exhibited at last year's Academy. Mr. Armour is himself a keen rider to hounds, and has skilfully made use of many of his own recollections, with the result that his exhibition is sure to be popular with sporting men and that his witty black-and-white sketches will find their way into many a smoking-room and study in the country. But his more serious works in colour show that he has all the instincts of the true artist combined with knowledge and experience. His poachers and their lurcher dog and ferrets, crouching under a hedge in the half-light of a November afternoon, are obviously in terror of being caught by gamekeepers. His impatient huntsman beating back a thick undergrowth of withies to let a lady clear the fence in safety, is keenly anxious to be off and away. His type of horses, the sort we all want, the sort very few people want, the confidential hunter, and the whip's horse tell their own tales.

The Jubilee Exhibition of the Society of Women Artists opened on Monday at the Suffolk-street Galleries. Fifty years ago, Mme. Jenny Lind was instrumental in founding the Society, which had its beginnings in a very small room near the Haymarket. It was re-organised in 1885, and within the last few years, it has included in its scope a section of handicrafts, which adds greatly to its interest and usefulness as the centre of women's art work in London at the present time. This year many famous artists are sending pictures in honour of the occasion, and each member associate, and outside exhibitor has done her best to make it a success. Venetian paintings by Miss Clara and Miss Hilda Montalba, "A Halt in a Forced March" by Lady Butler, "The Song of the Ages" by Miss Ethel Wright, "The Bride" by Miss Florence Small, and The Evening of Life by Miss Flora Reid are the best of the loan exhibitors. Among new exhibitors Miss Catherine Ouless and Miss Edith Vicary will be sure to make their mark. Miss Ouless sends small portraits in oils, and Miss Vicary large Corotlike landscapes, Mrs. Jopling, Miss Mary Sloane, Mrs. Waller, and Miss Mildred Butler excel in portraits and figure subjects. Mrs. Patty Townsend Johnson's impressionist groupes on the seashore remind one of Dutch pictures. Miss Fannie Moody and Miss Fairman's animals, and the President's (Mrs. Marrables) Italian and Swiss views must not be overlooked. In the handicrafts section designs from the Queen's-square, Bloomsbury School of Art fine pen and ink drawings of reptiles by Miss Winifred Austen, beaten silver by Miss Rimmington, enamels by Mrs. Wintour, Mrs. Mure and Mrs. Bethune; miniatures, fans, book-bindings, and works in gold, silver, copper, and brass are among the host of exhibits that well deserve a visit.

Mr. Mackinnon's water-colour drawings of Highland scenery at the Bruton Galleries opened last week. He has succeeded admirably in imparting to the great mountain ranges, to the lakes, islands, and peat bogs of Scotland the charm of ever changing atmospheric effect. He has, moreover, not shirked the difficulty of drawing the mountain masses with great exactness and care, nothing the geological formation of the rugged crags without losing any sense of space and aerial perspective. His cloudy skies with bright intervals of sunlight add beauty and mystery to the distance and he has taken advantage of every accident of autumnal colouring to contrast brilliant foregrounds with the greys and blues of middle distance. His most impressive picture, "In the Letterewe Forest," is lent by Lord Leven and Melville. Another "Inverewe Forest," has a very fine sky effect of clouds casting broad masses of shadow over distant mountains and varied foregrounds. "On the Moor Glenferness," miles of brilliant autumn-tinted heather and fern stretch away to the distant blue hills; rays of light fall on the moor at Poolewe, and the islands on Loch Maree are set as sapphires in a sheet of golden water. Mr. Mackinnon delights in painting a river in spate, and conveys to it the delicate golden brown tinge peculiar to peat-water. His cattle are well placed, but he is not as successful with his figure and his architectural subjects as with his landscapes. This is specially noticeable in his Venetian sketches, but his small views on the Nile are very bright and graceful.

Mr. Walter Crane's sketches on view at the Carfax Gallery, in common with all his landscape work, are drawn with consummate skill and care, but they are too hard in outline and too heavy in colour to be very attractive in themselves. As backgrounds for some of his interesting figures they would, however, be effective. Mr. Oliver Hall's landscapes at Dowdeswell's Galleries, Bondstreet, are painted in a wholly different key. He has placed before himself the ideal of subdued and harmonious tones, and adheres to it regardless of any temptation to indulge in bright colour or sensational effect. His pictures might hang side by side with masterpieces of the Flemish or Dutch school and yet hold their own, so delicate are his gradations of light and shade, and so accurate the drawing. His trees are deftly delineated against a luminous sky, and there are infinite degrees of distance in the gently undulating woodland that melts into a delicate grey blue distance. His figures are cleverly introduced, and his water is very limpid.

The preparations and prospects for the great Whistler exhibition at the New Gallery outstrip everything. Last year's precedent at Boston—it was exactly twelve months ago—was more of an American tribute to the great Western painter; but the one now being arranged may be said to be international. It is a "concours" in his honour of pretty nearly all the artistic races, certainly of all the great connoisseurs and collectors of his work. Probably, before it is over, it will rank as the most important tribute ever paid to a modern artist. It is the one man show exalted to the level of an international event. Two thoughts suggest themselves; they might almost be called two fears. One is that the New Gallery may prove insufficient in respect of size. Applications have been freely and confidently made, but the response in the shape of loans exceeds the promoters' expectations. The other fear is that England, which, in the main, was the home of Whistler's inspiration, may have reason to resent the modest place she is taking in the exhibition. The secretary and many of the promoters are Americans; so are many of the lenders of works; many of the other chief exhibits come from Paris and Dresden; and the exhibition is to be opened by a Frenchman. No picture in the present international exhibition has drawn more respectful attention than the Rodin portrait or the sculptor's marvellous "Main de Dieu," and he will find a great assembly representative of every interest in thought and the arts to give him the welcome and acknowledgment due to genius. There is only one great work of Whistler's missing, and this, The Yellow Buskin, remains at Boston under a strict regulation which forbids the trustees to let it out of their hands. It will be represented, however, by the best reproduction obtainable, and there will be photographs as well of all absent works of the Master. The central hall of the gallery will contain the King's collection, and during the last few days another important Royal contribution has arrived. The north room—the room which contains the Spanish Shawl of poor Robert Brough—will be given up to etchings and lithographs and drawings, including a series of five drawn upon the woodblock and still uncut. This last series was undiscovered until lately, and will reveal a curious aspect of Whistler's work. The west room (where the great Lavery and Carolus Duran portraits are hanging at present) will contain the bigger oil paintings, and the south room the rest of the oils and a magnificent collection of paintings in water-colour.

Captain Marshall has invented, or at any rate, has reintroduced, a special line of dramatic entertainment, which he calls farcical romance. Of the pieces to which he has given this name, the best, and last was The Duke of Killicrankie. In that piece the spirit of farcical romance was maintained with remarkable skill and address. The Lady of Leeds, produced last night at Wyndham's Theatre he also describes as a farcical romance. But we feel not only that it is not nearly so consistently amusing as was its immediate predecessor, but that it is not similar in kind. Farcical it truly is, but where is the romance? The piece is a modern version of The Lady of Lyons, and Captain Marshall may have relied on its derivation to supply the romance. The scene is Venice, the background is a cannal that the moonlight robes in sequins. The setting may pass for romantic. But what makes a play romantic is not its origin or its setting, but its characters. And never till the last few minutes does a single character show a spark of romance, and when love is supposed thus tardily to usurp the place hitherto in the undisputed possession of the meanest and most sordid of motives, we feel that we are being trifled with. Euphemia Chitty is the fabulously rich and almost inconceivably ill-bred daughter of a man who has made millions out of a ginger-ale manufactory at the city which has, on account of the blinding glare of its electric lights and the deafening clamour of its electric trams, been called "Greater Brixton." She intends to make a sensational marriage, nothing less than a Duke for her. Of course, it is customary to speak of a girl with such high flown designs as romantic, but a better word would be delirious. She has two suitors, Hodge, a retired colonel of moderate means, and Lord O'Gorman, who has nothing but an Irish title. Both are after her millions, to finger which they are ready to unite themselves to a girl whose vulgarity would sicken a potman. Not much romance about these gentlemen! Their proposals scorned, they combine to bring about her humiliation. To that end they lay hold of Robinson, an outrageous cad, who has seen better days as a waiter, and bribe him into palming himself off on our Euphemia, as an Archduke. He consents, and in time becomes engaged to Euphemia, whose credulity is astounding. There is not much romance about Robinson, whose exploits in blackmailing and blackguardly behaviour form the bulk of the entertainment.

Too late in day Captain Marshall seems to become conscious that romance has not had much of a show, and to try to make up for lost time by crediting Euphemia and Robinson with being really in love with each other. She, anxious to ascertain whether he loves her for herself, has a bogus telegram sent her announcing the loss of her fortune. He sees through the trick and remains profitably loyal. Again, lest his proceedings should seem too servilely sordid, another telegram arrives informing him that an invention of his has been taken up, and that a large fortune is assured him. There is another difficulty to be got over. Euphemia loves him for himself, but yet hankers after a title. Out he pulls an Australian newspaper, which records the fact that his father, as Mayor of some town in Queensland, has been knighted on the occasion of some Royal visit. Euphemia seems easily satisfied. We are not greatly impressed by this Australian knighthood. Somehow we always suspect Australia in the theatre. If Euphemia loves Robinson for himself she would not worry about any title. If she cares about a title she would certainly not be contented with a knighthood at the other end of the world which can never come her husband's way. The third act seems to have been written in two minds. It is not of a piece with the earlier acts. If they are right, it should have no adulteration of sentiment. If it is right they should not have been wholly given over to the farcical aspect of affairs. It is a strange mistake for the author of The Duke of Killicrankie to make. but he has made it, and the result was a somewhat lukewarm reception. An indifferent play is redeemed in spots by aggressively brilliant lines. There is not the sustained brilliancy to be found in some of Captain Marshall's other pieces. But there is fair sprinkling of neat and amusing remarks. One remembers some diverting sayings, but on the whole the piece, coming from Captain Marshall, is a disappointment.

LADY CURZON'S RETURN.

THE RECEPTION IN BOMBAY.

The following Press communique has been issued :—

His Excellency the Viceroy will arrive at Bombay (Victoria Terminus) from Calcutta at 7-30 a.m., Local time, on Friday. His Excellency will drive direct to the Apollo Bandar, there embark on a launch and proceed to the "Arabia."

His Excellency will return to the Apollo Bandar with Her Excellency Lady Curzon at 8-30 a.m., and will drive to Government House.

Ladies and gentlemen who desire to have the opportunity of welcoming Her Excellency Lady Curzon on her return to India are requested to send in their names to the Executive Engineer, Presidency, by whom arrangements will be made for the reservation of accommodation, as far as possible, at the Bander where the Viceroy and Lady Curzon will be very glad to see their friends.

BRIDGE AND THE "LAST TRICK" RULE.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE "BOMBAY GAZETTE."

SIR,—With reference to your article on Bridge by an expert, in this morning's issue, regarding the new rule against players' turning up the last trick, for information, may I be permitted to point out that the object of introducing such a rule, namely to save time in the play of a hand is only apparent and not real. With such a restriction, as slow players know, they cannot turn up the last trick after it is quitted; they invariably examine the trick carefully before it is turned down, and frequently ask to re-examine it while it is being picked up, which causes the same loss of time as under the old privilege. I therefore think the rule is quite useless for the object for which it was intended and makes the game unnecessarily serious for players.—Yours &c.,

Bombay, Feb. 28th. TWO OF SPADES.

ARRIVAL OF THE R. I. M. S. HARDINGE.

The Royal Indian Marine steamer Hardinge, Commander G. S. Hewett, R.I.M., arrived in harbour yesterday from Karachi, 26th February, with the following details :—Lieutenant D. Ahern, R.A.M.C., Lieutenant Hervey, Suffolk Regiment; Mrs. Rolland, Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Rodrigues, 32 men, 4 women, and 10 followers.

PASSENGERS PER S. S. SYDNEY.

The following is the list of passengers on board the Messageries Maritimes Company's steamer "Sydney" from Marseilles, which is expected in Bombay tomorrow, at 8 a.m. :—Mr. and Mrs. Amstuitz, Mr. A. Bhootwalla, Mr. and Mrs. Chambers, Mr. W. Crowder, Major and Mrs. Dobbie, Lt.-Col. D. S. Grant, Mr. N. H. Gautzer, Major, Mrs. Hamilton, and child, Mr. and Mrs. Nambon, Mr. B. Khatawmal, Mr. Mitchell, Col. S. D. Rainsford, Mr. W. B. Wright and Mr. Wildes.

Spain is making preparations to celebrate in May, the tercentenary of Cervantes. Committees are being organised everywhere; the most original and enterprising being that of Saragossa. It has offered the presidency thereat to the Duchess of Villahermosa, who has become a veritable national heroine in consequence of having refused to sell a Velasquez to an American millionaire. The Duchess has expressed her willingness to be president of the Saragossa Committee.

GRANT MEDICAL COLLEGE FELLOWSHIPS.

The following rules for fellowships in the Grant Medical College are published by the Bombay Education Department :—

Six Fellowships at Rs. 50 per mensem are sanctioned for the Grant Medical College, Bombay. The Fellowships are open to Medical Graduates of the Bombay University of not more than three years' standing at the time of nomination, preference being given to those who are reading for a higher degree. The objects of the Fellowships are to encourage, after graduation, further study in professional subjects and to assist Graduates to proceed to higher degrees. In or about December of each year the College Common Room will select from among the candidates those whom they recommend for Fellowships. The Principal will nominate Fellows subject to the approval of the Surgeon General and of the Director of Public Instruction. All Fellows shall continue their studies in the higher subjects of their profession and give satisfactory evidence of doing so, and also take such share in the College work under the supervision of the College authorities, as may be required of them. Holders of Fellowships will ordinarily be required to undertake the duties of Clinical Registrars at the Jamsetjee Jeejeebhoy Hospital and also to give assistance in teaching the Clinical Classes and to perform Hospital work connected with those classes. It will be part of their duty to supervise, under the direction of the Professors of Clinical. Medicine and Surgery, the work of the Clinical Classes, direct their case-taking and their study of the cases; and to see that the practical ward duties of the students are carefully performed. Their duties will, however, be more particularly indicated at the discretion of the Principal. In the event of a students' hostel being built, the Fellows will reside in the hostel to act as Superintendents of the resident students, to take the roll calls, to see that order is maintained and that the regulations are complied with and to supervise the studies of the students. The stipends of the Fellows will be drawn quarterly in arrears upon printed bills signed by the Principal of the Grant Medical College. Fellowships can be withdrawn at any time by the Principal of the College, subject to the sanction of the Director of Public Instruction and the Surgeon General with the Government of Bombay. Subject to the conditions of regular attendance, good conduct and satisfactory progress, the Fellowships are tenable for one calendar year, but it is open to the Principal on the recommendation of the Common Room and subject to the approval of the Surgeon-General and of the Director of Public Instruction to permit a Fellowship to be continued for further periods of one year at a time up to a total tenure of four years. If it is desired to grant an extension beyond this maximum in any particular case, the proposal must be submitted for the orders of Government,

CRICKET.

BOMBAY GYMKHANA vs. UNITED SERVICE.

In the match played on the Gymkhana ground yesterday afternoon the United Service defeated the Bombay Gymkhana by seven wickets and nineteen runs. Scores :—

BOMBAY GYMKHANA.

H Cheetham, c Vans Agnew, b Wilson	36
S N Powell, b Jones	10
C L Burns, c Vans Agnew, b Wilson	16
A H S Aston c Greig, b Wilson	6
P M D Sanderson, c McDonnell, b Wilson	17
J S Milne, b Greig	37
G Dawson, c Vans Agnew, b Wilson	2
J A C Kiddle, c Krickenbeck, b Greig	49
T J Reid, c Jones b Wilson	0
W H Scott, not out	32
E E Coombs, b Greig	27
Extras	10
Total	242

THE UNITED SERVICES.

Capt Greig, b Powell	58
Lieut Wilson, c Milne, b Coombs	96
Dr Jones, b Cheetham	44
Capt Vans Agnew, not out	35
C H Abercrombi, not out	5
Lieut McDonnell W Cumberbatch Capt Krickenbeck Capt Hood Mr Butt Capt King	Did not bat.
Extras	23
Total	261

PASSENGERS PER S. S. IMPERATOR.

The following is the list of passengers proceeding to Trieste and Venice per Austrian Lloyd's s. s. "Imperatrix" to-day, from the Victoria Dock, Berth No. 7. The Medical Inspection of the Saloon passengers will take place at the Victoria Dock, No. 7 to-day, at 5-15 p.m., sharp. Deck passengers should be at the Port Health New Disinfecting Station, Frere Road, near Prince's Dock with all their luggage and kit at 3 p.m., sharp, to-day :—

Revd and Mrs. P. Borel and 2 children, Major B S Buist, Mrs Brooke-Meares, Miss Brooke-Meares, Miss M J Bealy, Miss Carlson, Mr G Coates, Mr K von During, Miss A V Egerton, Mr Alfred W Fred, Master E Franklin, Mr C J Farley, Captain and Mrs H J Finanmore, Revd and Mrs K Fichtner, 2 children and infant, Doctor Faisst, Doctor E Grund, Captain Humphreys, Lieutenant H Harvey-Kelly, Miss Higgins, Revd K. A. Iwar, Miss K A Iwar, Revd and Mrs. C. F. Lindroth and child, Miss A Lucas, Mrs Lawrie, Mrs Manwaring Dunston, Miss M McKinley, Mrs W Mow, Miss Piggott, Mr Rottmey, Major G R Row, Revd and Mrs K Roterberg, child and 3 infants, Revd and Mrs Stierlein and child, Miss Schellenberg, Miss M M Scott, Mr A Schneider, Miss Ward, Revd H L Weitbrecht, Mr J W Walsh, Revd and Mrs P. Wenzloff and 4 children, Mr Willenke and Revd and Mrs C F Zwemer, child and infant.

NOTES FROM NAGPUR.

The Hon'ble the Chief Commissioner C. P., will return to Nagpur on the 4th or 5th proximo, writes our local correspondent.

A meeting of some of the leading Indian gentlemen of Nagpur was held on the 12th instant for the purpose of concerting measures for holding a provincial conference at Nagpur during the Easter holidays. A sum of Rs. 500 was subscribed on the spot and more funds are being collected. Delegates from all the districts of the Provinces will assemble to discuss questions affecting the provinces. It is also under contemplation to invite the Indian National Congress to this place in 1903.

Coal mines have been discovered at Ballarpur in the Chanda District and at Khursadye of the Chindwara District. Mining operations at both of those villages are now in active progress.

Owing to the extraordinary weather prevailing during the current month numerous cases of influenza have occurred in Nagpur. Several natives in the city and in the Sudder Bazaar have had severe attacks of it, but there have been no deaths. Small pox is at present rife in Hansapuri, the Sadar Buzaar and several other localities in Nagpur. Last week twelve children died of smallpox in Hansapuri and last Monday a Parsee lady fell a victim to the disease in the same locality.

The total plague mortality in the C. Provinces, during the week ending the 11th February was 438, the highest mortality being in Jubbulpore City, and District where 125 deaths occurred. Nagpur has been singularly fortunate this year in its complete immunity from plague.

Quite the latest thing for Berlin dinner-parties is, according to "T. P.'s Weekly," "black potato salad." A black potato has, in fact, recently made its appearance in the Berlin vegetable market, and has been greeted with enthusiasm. Not only is its skin black, but the flesh is of a dark reddish-brown. In taste it is indistinguishable from other potatoes. It comes from South Africa, but has been found to grow readily in the neighbourhood of Berlin. For the moment, the supply being limited, high prices are paid, but in a short time it is expected to cost no more than its whiter brother.

"THE POWER OF EDUCATION."

A REMARKABLE PETITION.

The following is a copy of a petition received by an official of the Public Works Department from an applicant for employment.

From Ramsing (Poorman) to Mr. P. W. Department. Most Preserved Sir. I am humble man and great family large suns and daughters with magnified apetites, much often have I written to great notorious gentleman who have terribly failed in goodness therefore your honour kindly will not be completely angered by me for because though not yet altogether dead for want of money, I am much learned man and magnanimously anxious for display of my talent it is great sheer pity for all my big educutation is going horribly lost aside. And Your honour I am the one man in which the English Poet calls Born, blooming unseen, and your honour is the P.W.Department which is great circulated Department building big walls and bridges walls and bridges which fall down (no matter for that) make the money much influence is with your honour in this wide space of area one of P. W. Department your kind will pass over this fussy of my great peteshan. I am telling of my great troubles and experiments much learning all things I got much studies in big deschanarries (which is five 6 days I did lost) and great talent in all things but this manifold family is much great expence and too much hunger all the day-time long. this family which I have generated God knows how, every every year she does my wife make incramental succession to the ratification of this generation. My age was of 19 years when I did commence to have children and now my age is 34 years and only one child dead, and by the Lord there will be no end to this mischief Your honour is greatly kind and I plainly see all things and your honour will be much pleased with all the works of my hand, I am learning in all things and much instructed in long notorious words (long and terrific) of the great English language but it is much pity in my heart some rough hog has pezzled the books of my deeshanarries no matter for that so great is the power of my surprising memory.

I am much knowing in natural mathematics and Philosofee and laws and manupulations such as "the apple must come to the ground" Isaac Newton and such like, Your honour I am a man of long notorious infernal language and my great father had instructed me in much policy and in the College I did learned in all things and by much experiments and thoughtfulness and am now man of much deepness and consideration, my father was much old when he died expire at last and left much goods for the division of me and my sister . . . . Your honour I was left pezzled of Rs. 5,000 and much wicked sister (who is major to me Your honour in 10 years) is developing in great many pleshures no matter for that I was man of thoughtfulness and decided on the matter of travels and experiments and much as my eye (for I have only one eye your honour) gazed on, and I am now man of great benefit going hither and thither with my great family and living on strong things, your honour by the power of my big education I have much seen gentleness and talked and talked and learned all things varied and constructed on terrific knowledge and altogether because power of learning I have always found work of my hands yet still the money is plentiful divided by reasons of the Sindh Station which is much dear place in rice and all matter and such difficult for work your honour yet much beautiful in all things of sight and surely here the trees go hither and thither in the blast of our and rivers bubbling and all birds (black and yellow) and much colour glorifying the atmosfear and mighty flavoured; in all things and the great Governor General and council shine like big stars of terrific pleshures, but my soul is much is much sorry for want of money and work or I could much please in telling all things, but hunger is at the belly for the future and therefore your honour will kindly give me the help and the work of your honour will be much blessed in money matters and great pleshure will come to your honour if your honour will give the work and I will show my talent in all things and your honour will be consold. May almighty powers hold your honour securely and may your honour be safe and tight evermore I much pray your honours children be safe evermore I am your honours humble servant Ramsing (Poorman).

THE BOMBAY-SIND RAILWAY.

CUTCHIS' MEMORIAL TO THE VICEROY.

A public meeting of the Cutchi inhabitants of Bombay, was held on Sunday at Mandvi, in the Hall of the Mandvi School. The hall was crowded, the audience consisting of members of [illegible] Cutchi communities residing in [illegible]. In the absence of Mr. Karmally [illegible], Mr. Pashaver Poonjabhai [illegible], was elected to preside. At the request of the Chairman, Mr. Khimji Mirji Kalyanji read a [illegible] memorial to H. E. the Viceroy on the subject of the Bombay-Sind Railway connection through Cutch. On the motion of Mr. [illegible] Chatarbooj, the memorial was adopted and the Chairman was authorized to submit the same on behalf of the Cutchi public of Bombay to H. E. the Viceroy. It was also resolved to submit copies to the Government of Bombay, as well as to the Secretary of State for India through Sir John Leng, the member for Dundee.

The memorialists observe that they have full faith and confidence in the pronouncement made so enthusiastically and with vigour that "your Excellency shall certainly not be deterred by any of such economic heresies, from a steadfast policy of Railway Construction and that your Excellency regards railways as a blessing to the country as a whole and as the most unifying agency that exist in India. They add, Your Excellency, we are sure will not fail to realise the gravity of this representation, and as the matter is likely to be finally settled now for ever, in conference with H. H. the Rao of Cutch, who, according to reports, is paying a visit to your Excellency, particularly to discuss this matter with your Excellency personally, your Excellency's Memorialists trust most confidently, that your Excellency will impress upon the mind of His Highness the Rao, the importance and necessity of strengthening the hands of the Government, by his co-operation and support, instead of resisting on frivolous grounds, the execution of this important scheme of linking up Bombay and Sind by a direct Railway communication through Cutch which is calculated to confer so many advantages and blessings, on the territories of His Highness besides being of vital imperial necessity and importance, from the political commercial and social point of view. Referring to a paragraph in a memorial submitted on the 10th March 1902 in which it was stated His :—Highness the Maharaja Sahib contemplated the construction of a Light Railway line from Mandvie to Bhuj and thence to Tuna and Anjar and the importance of which they considered was less than that of works of irrigation. They state that their strongly believed from the very beginning, that the sanction for the scheme was obtained by the Cutch Durbar, with an ulterior motive of precluding the Government from paying more attention to arrive at a decision in the matter of the B. S. C Railway. As a matter of fact nothing tangible has u to now been done towards carrying out the propo sed scheme and according to the latest issue of th "History of Railway Projects" for 1904, it has bee recorded by Government that "no detailed project for this Anjar-Bhuj Section, has yet been receive and that the Bhuj-Mandvi Section has not ap parently been yet surveyed" although more tha four years have elapsed, since the time when th light Railway scheme on 2' 6" gauge, on the whol for about 40 to 50 miles was sanctioned. Th Memorialists submit that this interior light Railwa scheme from economical, as well as other points o view is totally useless to the State and they trus that His Excellency will be pleased to impres upon the mind of H. H. the Rao, the advisibility an importance of turning this proposed useless expendi ture, towards the more important and urgentl needed works of Irrigation.

THE MOON MILL FIRE.

DAMAGE FOUR LAKHS.

Superintendent Williamson of the Parel Divisio in his report to the Commissioner of Police regard ing the fire in the Moon Mill at Sewree, as reporte in yesterday's issue, states as follows :—At 11 o'cloc on Monday night, one Mookund Goonaji, a male residing at Sewree, noticed smoke issuing from th store room of the Moon Mill at Sewree Road. H at once went and gave information to one o the watchmen on duty at the mill, who, in turn telephoned to the fire brigade stations. The Chinch poogly engine was the first to arrive on the scen followed by other steamers; but by this time th store room, which is on the first floor above th blow room, was well ablaze, and there being n water main on the road, the engines had to pump th water from the tank of the Moon and China Mills t play on the fire. The fire was got under contr at 1 o'clock in the morning and was put out at 4 a. The roof of the blow room being fire proof, th fire did not spread beyond the store room in whi was stored cotton to the value of over two lakhs o rupees. The total amount of damage caused b fire and water is estimated at about four lakhs o rupees. The cause of the fire is not known, but it believed to be due to spontaneous combustion.

MR. J. N. GRAHAM.

At the invitation of Messrs. Gocouldas Shewji Kalidass Dharamsey and other merchants associated with the firm of Messrs. W. and A. Graham and Company, a large number of European and Native merchants of this city assembled at Mr. Kalidas Jootha's bungalow on the east side of Walkeshwar Road, last night, to meet Mr. and Mrs. James Noble Graham, who are at present on a short visit to this country. The bungalow and its compound were tastefully decorated and brilliantly illuminated. The guests were received at the main entrance by the members of the reception committee and escorted into the reception hall. Mr. and Mrs. Graham arrived at about half past 9 o'clock and were accorded a most hearty welcome. After some time was spent in renewing old acquaintances, Mr. and Mrs Graham were conducted into the reception room where the chairman of the reception committee read an address, which among other things stated:—Throughout your excellent career here, you were known for your great cordiality, sympathy and kindness towards all the native merchants, however great and small, and your advice and counsel, whenever solicited, were always given with the greatest care and wisdom. To this day in your Firm's business dealings, directed as they have been by your good self from your head quarters at Glasgow, you have shown the same kindness and sympathy towards those who have had the pleasure to deal with you. It is impossible for us to detail your meritorious acts of services both in private and in public life during your career in this city. In short, Sir, those of us who have the privilege of your acquaintance, however small, cannot help admiring you for your sincerity of purpose and amiable character. We hope that after leaving these shores, you will continue to exhibit the same regard and attention to the interest of all the merchants connected with your firm, and we desire that you will give all your attention and support to remedy some of the difficulties that hinder the smooth progress of our dealings. We are confidant that even though you will be in your head quarters at Glasgow, you will see that the excellent tradition of your Firm here, and the cordial relations between us will be maintained in future as they have been till now. It is our fervent prayer that to this purpose you may be given long life, health and happiness and that some of us may have the pleasure of seeing you here again on some future date.

The Address which was printed and illuminated on satin was encased in a silver casket and presented to Mr. Graham.

Mr. Graham in reply said he had always regarded Bombay as his second home and if such a long period as twenty years had elapsed between his departure from and revisiting the scenes where he had spent the period of his life when impressions were most vivid and the enjoyment of existence most keen, it had not been because he did not love the thought of again meeting old friends and renewing old associations but because he could not easily leave his duties at home. When at last he could come, he confessed that his old friends scarcely remembered him and that a new generation had sprung up, who would perhaps not know him even by repute. But what a welcome surprise they had given him, a welcome which he could never have anticipated. Since those by-gone days what changes there had been? It was not far short of forty years since he came to India. At that time the Suez Canal was not completed; the mail left once a forthnight, the telegraph was quite unreliable; there was no dock in Bombay for the discharge of ships; the Elphinstone and Mody Bay properties and the Back Bay foreshore were still being reclaimed; from the Fort to the city there was open Maidan; and the cotton green occupied all the space from Apollo Bundar to Colaba. In conclusion he thanked those who made the presentation on behalf of himself and Mrs. Graham.

INDIAN INVENTIONS AND DESIGNS.

Applications in respect of the under-mentioned inventions have been filed, under the provisions of the Inventions and Designs Act of 1888, in the office of the Secretary appointed under that Act during the week ending 18th February: Cornelius Edward Cardew, engineer of Insein township, Hanthawaddi district, Lower Burma. Devices applicable to the swiveling trucks, otherwise known as bogies or bogie trucks used under vehicles running on railways or tramways. Louis Brennan, civil and mechanical engineer, of Woodlands, Kent, Improvements in and relating to the imparting of stability to otherwise unstable bodies structures, vehicles. Premji Hirji, fitting mistry, Port Trust workshop, Mazagon, Bombay. An improved water-lift. William Alfred Phillips and Frederick Hutchins, electrical engineers, both of 185, Oxford Street, London. Improvements in and relating to the spinning of cotton and other fibres and apparatus thereof. Samuel Cleland Davidson, merchant, of Sirocco Engineering Works, Belfast, Improvements in or relating to apparatus for cooling and filtering air. The Empire Oil Engine Syndicate, Limited, manufacturers, of 34 Great St. Helens, London, Improvement in or connected with the production of combustible mixtures or petroleum spirit therefrom for use in internal combustion, engines and other heating purposes William Alfred Phillips and Frederick Hutchin electrical engineers both of 185, Oxford street, London. Improvements, in and relating to the coverings of wire or other cores with fibrous materials and apparatus employed therein Augustus Rosenberg, engineer of 259, High Holborn, London, England. Improvements in and connected with apparatus for the generation of acetylene and other gas. William Allan Hutchison, traffic inspector, North-Western Railway. Kotri, Sind A device for effectually securing the card labels affixed to the doors of railway goods wagons without tape or sealing wax as now done. Surapati Ghatack, mechanic, of Shahapur, Tallygunge post office, in the district of 24-Pergannas. A continuous revolving machine for drying and roasting grains and small leaves. Charles Joshua Greengrass, civil engineer, residing at Puttur, North Arcot district, Madras Presidency. A tyre suitable for motor-cars, cycles, etc., to be called the "Combination Tyre."

A BRAVE TIGRESS AND HER CUBS.

INCIDENT IN AN INDIAN JUNGLE.

Hunters of big game seldom fail to have among their repertoire of stories at least one illustrative of animal heroism, but, says a writer in the "County Gentleman," I have never heard one, I think, so touching as that which was once told me by an old Indian officer whose hobby had been "tigers." With a brother officer and a couple of bearers he had gone upon one of his periodical hunts, and had pitched his camp towards sundown one day when news was brought him by a native from a neighbouring village that the tracks of a large tiger had been seen hardly four miles away. Accordingly guided by his informant, the party set out next day in the direction indicated, and were soon successful in discovering the tracks of the animal close to a small pool where he was evidently in the habit of watering. A close examination of the spot revealed the fact, however, that he was not alone, but was accompanied by a female, and the prospect of a double capture so inspired the hunters that they decided, instead of waiting till the beasts came down to water, to follow up the trail then and there.

For many hours they toiled through the jungle, keeping a sharp lookout for the quarry, till they approached what, as far as I can remember, was a ruined temple—there is usually a ruined temple in these stories! Creeping quietly forward they found that in front of the building was a considerable clearing, upon which to their joy they saw both the tigers and three cubs, who had evidently left their lair in the building to snatch a mouthful of fresh air. In answer to the first shot the male animal, a magnificent specimen, whose skin I have many times stood upon since then, fell to the ground, but the female escaped unhurt, and, hastily picking up one of the cubs in her mouth, she carried it quickly into the temple. As she disappeared into the darkness of the doorway two more shots rang out, both of which took effect in her flank and were answered by a muffled, snarling roar. In a moment she was out again, and facing two more shots, one of which broke her leg, while the other found its billet in a vital spot, she bore one more of her offspring into safety. Then, mortally wounded and in great pain, she crawled once more from her den, and, facing the guns again—guns which were silent now from the sheer amazement and admiration of those who held them—she succeeded in getting the last of the cubs into safety, dragging it painfully along backwards, and keeping her face to the enemy so as to defend her little one in case of an attack.

"It was the bravest thing I have ever seen," said my friend when he told me this incident, "and I am not sure that Fraser and myself hadn't both got tears in our eyes. At any rate, we neither of us fired, and I could not repress a sigh of relief when the noble beast disappeared through that doorway."

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THE NATIVE PRESS.

THE COST OF THE TIBETAN EXPEDITION.

Noticing the intention of the House Government to saddle India with the whole cost of the Tibetan Expedition, the "Gujerati" states: It has been decided to saddle India with the whole of the cost of the Tibetan expedition amounting to £812, 730. That needless and unrighteous excursion into foreign territory was undertaken by Lord Curzon's government in the teeth of universal opposition. The upshot of the whole affair has been ridiculous and for our part we confess we are not sorry for this. But what we have to protest against is that the poor Indian people should be punished for the gratification of the imperial vanity of others by being called upon to pay nearly 125 lakhs of rupees in connection with the expenses of a venture of which they heartily disapproved. Mr. Brodrick, in reply to Mr. Bryce, is reported to have said that the whole cost would be charged to India in view of the fact that the expedition was undertaken in the interests of India. This justification might be a typical illustration of occidental truthfulness or diplomacy. But it is evidently not in accord with the oriental notion of elementary Truth.

THE HYDERABAD VICTORIA ORPHANAGE.

Touching the opening of the Hyderabad Victoria Orphange, the "Indian Spectator" states:—The Hyderabad Victoria Orphanage and Technical School, formally declared open on the 14th instant, in an admirable Urdu speech by H. H. the Nizam, is an institution of unique importance, with a history of its own. It is one of the most living and working charities in Native India, that we have heard of, associated with the revered memory of the Queen Empress to whom the Nizam referred in the most touching words the other day. The Orphange is capable of maintaining as many as a thousand inmates, of training them in the arts and crafts most suited to their conditions and surroundings, and of sending them out well-equipped for the battle of life, with a pecuniary grant to each. This represents a permanent improvement in the lot of the juvenile population of Hyderabad as well as the meeting of a longfelt economic want; and in the case of the orphan girls rescued, it represents the saving of thousands from slavery and worse—the lot of a majority of famine waifs and strays and of starvelings in general. The Nizam may well be proud of the noble memorial he has been enabled to raise, combining, in His Highness's own words, utility and charity of the best sort, and earning thereby the blessings of thousands on the beloved Queen Mother whom India will always remember with gratitude.

THE BOMBAY VICE-CHANCELLOR'S ADDRESS.

The "Rast Goftar" contrasts the tenor of Lord Curzon's Convocation address with that of the Bombay Vice-Chancellor and observes:—Following closely on the heels of the Chancellor's address at the Calcutta University Convocation, which has stirred up the whole of India, the speech of the Rev. Dr. Mackichan, Vice-Chancellor of the Bombay University, will at least in some measure, allay the fears of the peoples of this country that University Convocations are not made the occasions on which the heads of the Indian Government and University authorities could with impunity attack the educated classes of this country. Fortunately, there is nothing common in the two addresses which can be compared side by side with one another. While the Viceregal utterances were thoughtless and were nothing more or less than so many Jeremiads and diatribes against the educated classes of this country, the speech of the Bombay Vice Chancellor, besides being thoughtful, was as instructive and interesting as it was an exhaustive account of the operations of the University during the past year.

The "Gujarati" says:—Dr. Mackichan, in his Convocation address, dwelt a good deal on a true University ideal. Much of his laboured argument was, in our judgment, superfluous. None has ever disputed the truth that our Universities should be the seats of the highest learning and that our Colleges should be model institutions for imparting the best and the broadest culture in various branches of learning. We are all unanimous in holding that our Universities and Colleges should be in vital touch with the progress of knowledge and with the great intellectual centres of the moderd world. We confess we are tired of such platitudes. The real question is how the Universities Act is calculated to bring about the consummation we all so devoutly desire?

LORD CURZON AND HIS CRITICS.

The "Indian Spectator" thus describes H. E. Lord Curzon's position with regard to his native critics:—Lord Curzon is paying the penalty of having disregarded the prudent and just concession granted to man by the moral philosophers of India, that one is not bound on all occasions to speak what one may consider to be the truth. He might have thought, when he addressed the Calcutta graduates, that it was better to be truthful than tactful; his critics tell him that he is neither the one nor the other. The question of his tact we will for the present leave His Majesty's Government to decide. In England, if a leading Liberal statesman attacked Mr. Balfour, the Prime Minister would avail himself of the earliest opportunity to reply. Silence would not only be inexpedient, but might be regarded by the opposite party as discourteous, as implying contempt. In India, the official classes are as dumb, though by no means as powerless, as the poor masses. Lord Curzon will not be dumb: he does not consider it prudent for Government to allow criticism to do its work without let or hindrance, in the hope of answering it with the sharp, silent bayonet—rather a remote contingency, but suggested by history—when matters go too far. The criticism of the present day is not of a kind which can easily affect the masses; yet in accordance with the general policy he would probably stitch the rent in time. He cannot answer criticisms piecemeal.

The "Rast Goftar" remarks:—Lord Curzon's Convocation speech has stirred up the whole of this country, from Cashmere to Cape Comorin and from Calicut to Calcutta. Indians, to a man have risen to enter their most emphatic protest against the sweeping accusation made against them of being liars, flatterers and slanderers. The Bengalee press is the loudest in its condemnation of the wholesale charges made by the first and foremost man of the Indian Empire. Some of the papers there publish columns after columns of the testimony of many of the greatest and most distinguished European historians, philosophers, and literary men regarding the habit of speaking and respect for truth on the part of the Indians. If the Bengal press, instead of indulging in recriminatory remarks, had treated these utterances in the spirit in which they have been criticised by the leading Indian newspapers of Madras, Bombay and Lahore, it would have created a better effect on the minds of both the rulers as well as the ruled.

The "Kaiser-i-Hind" discourses:—Anent the recent explosion of the Viceregal volcano, it seems that there is a strong feeling in every Presidency and Province that Indians out of self-respect for themselves and in vindication of their character ought to be immediately up and doing. Public meetings, entering an emphatic and indignant protest against the liberties which Lord Curzon had taken against Truth, while preaching the gospel of Truthfulness, were imperative and should be held in all capital towns. A movement is already taking place in Calcutta, and we hear Madras is soon to follow suit. More according to the "Indian Mirror," there is a precedent for it. As far back as 1861, Sir Mordaunt Wells, a judge of the High Court of Calcutta, had indulged in very mordant terms about Indian character and had made himself extremely odious in connexion with that "cause celebre"—the Indigo case—in which the Reverend Mr. Long stood out as the Champion of the Indigo ryot. His conduct at last so exasperated the Calcutta community that a monster Public meeting was the outcome. It was held on 26th August 1861.

WESTERN COMMAND ORDERS.

Head-Quarters, Poona, 24th February, 1905.

The "London Gazettes" of the 27th and 31st January 1905 were received at the Head-Quarters of the Western Command on the 18th Feb. 1905.

18th Tiwana Lancers—Lieut C G Risley, R F A attached 1st Batt, The Queen's R W S Regiment, a candidate for the I A, to be Officiating Squadron Officer, Dated 4th Feb 1905.

43rd Erinpura Regiment—Lieut C L Cobban, Double Co Officer, 18th Inf, is transferred in the same capacity, vice Capt C A Roosmale-Cocq, seconded on appointment to the Supply and Transport Corps Dated 17th Feby 1905.

105th Mahratta Light Infantry—Major M W Baugh, 2nd-in-Command "pro tem" to be 2nd-in-Command, vice Major A T H Newnham struck off the strength of the regiment, Dated 4th April 1904.

Command Staff—Capt H E Street, 62nd Batty, R F A, to officiate as Depy Asst Adjutant-Genl, R Art, Western Command, during the absence on leave of Capt W A Short, R F A or pending further orders Dated 17th Feb, 1905.

74th Punjabis—Lieut A G Cowan, Double Co Officer, to be Adjutant Dated 1st Sept 1904.

109th Infantry—Lieut F C Bannatyne, Officiating Double Co Officer, to be Double Co Officer

119th Infantry (The Mooltan Regiment)—Lieut G Hutchison Double Co Officer, 122nd Rajputana Infy, to command the Depot Dated 30th Jan, 1905

125th Napier's Rifles—Major A P D C Stuart, to be 2nd-in-Command protem, and to remain seconded while employed as Asst Transport Registration Officer's vice Maj J C Keown appointed 2nd-in-Command, 123rd Outram's Rifles.

Capt C B L Clery, to be 2nd-in-Command "pro tem" vice Major A P D C Stuart seconded.

Meywar Bhil Corps—Lieut J P Stockley, Wing Officer, to be Adjutant, vice Capt G V Holmes, vacated Dated 5th Feb, 1905

PROTECTING THE PRINCE.

SPECIAL RESTRICTIONS IN IRELAND.

THE DEVOLUTION PARTY.

The send-off which marked the departure of the Prince of Wales from Dublin, was a warm one; but the measures taken by the authorities prevented his Royal Highness from realising its full extent. The Tsar of Russia cannot be better protected from his subjects just now than was the Prince protected during his stay in Ireland. At Cong he was confined to the demesne, with the exception of one occasion when he was driven through the village from one part of the coverts to the other. The cordiality of the people on that occasion was marked, and it showed his Royal Highness that it was not on account of the feelings of the Cong people that a host of policemen in mufti surrounded him wherever he went, and kept civilians as far as possible from him, even on the public road. The members of the Press from London and elsewhere were treated on the same lines as the ordinary folk of the village. The photographers who crossed from England or travelled from Dublin and elsewhere were warned off, and left at once, with the result that illustrated newspaper service was an impossibility. At the military inspections in Dublin, there were similar restrictions. Representatives of the Dublin newspapers found the barrack gates closed, and were informed by the sergeant of the guard in each case that strict instructions had been issued against their admission to see the parades. When the Prince arrived in Kingstown on Saturday morning, a strong police force kept the people at a considerable distance from the entrance to the pier, and here, again, the Pressmen found that no consideration was to be extended to them in the performance of their duties. But the Prince heard the cheers of the people who were kept so far from him, and he must have been gratified with the cordiality of the populace.

Lord Dunraven has decided to come well out into the open with his devolution scheme. His executive committee have been hard at work for some weeks, and a public meeting will be held in Dublin at which his lordship and other speakers will explain the programme they have mapped out. At the moment it cannot be said that the question of devolution engages the public mind to any extent; but it is believed in by many leading men who are not active politicians, and having regard to the apathy of the Unionists and of a vast body of Nationalists towards their respective causes it is quite possible that a strong centre party will be formed in the course of time—such a party as was suggested by Sir George Nutting nine months ago.

BOMBAY 9TH EXTRA MEETING.

(Saturday, 4th March 1905.)

Entry closed at 6 p. m, Monday, 27th February, 1905.

"The March Plate." Distance—1 mile

Mr T R Roberts' br aus g Dumbell
Captain Talbot's b aus g Essigton
Mr E C Ramshaw's br aus m Signorina, 14 1 3-4
Captain Wilson's bl e h Misty
Mr French's b am m Balayeuse
Mr J C Galstaun's br aus m Blue Blood
Mr J C Galstaun's b nth am h Riverside II
Mr J C Galstaun's b aus g Hoop Iron
Messrs P B Avasia and C Bleach's br e g Testwood
Messrs P B Avasia and C Bleach's b e g Apology
Mr J D Scott's br or bl aus m Sweet Sound
Mr J D Scott's b e m Honest Lady
Mr J D Scott's ch aus h Yankee Boy, 14-1
H H Aga Khan and Aga S Shah's br aus g Firecracker
Aga S Shah's br aus m Shotover
Mr P F Fischer's b aus g Jim Gosper

"The Early Spring Plate." Distance—5 furlongs.

Mr T L Roberts's b aus g Kingston
Messrs Rowan and Taylor's b or br aus m (Iga) Patricia 14-1 1-2
Mr G K's b aus m Jubilant
Mr R R S's b aus g Resident
Mr Kelso's ch e g Child's Guide
Mr Thompson's ch e m Deakkaway
Messrs C Bleach and P B Avasia's b e g Apology
Mr G D Scott's br or bl aus m Sweet Sound
Mr G D Scott's b e m Honest Lady
H H Aga Khan and Aga S Shah's br aus m Carreewick
H H Aga Khan and Aga S Shah's br aus g Firecracker
Aga S Shah's ch e m Hyacinth
Mr A S Oomer's b aus a Sundowner
Mr P F Fischer's ch aus g Nevermore
Messrs Moran and McNab's b aus m Epitome

The Kensington Plate. Distanae—5 furlongs.

Mr E C Ramshaw's br aus m Signorina, 14-1 3-4
Mr E C Ramshaw's br aus m Wakeful, 14-1 3-4
Messrs Rowan and Taylor's b or br aus m Olga Patricia, 14-1 1-2
Mr G K's ch aus m Veera, 14-0
Mr R R S's bl aus g Comeback, 14-2
Mr Kelso's b aus m Russeley Rose, 14-1
Messrs M Goculdass and A Nanjee's b aus m Picture, 14-1
Mr J C Galstaun's br aus h Matalgia, 14-1 1-2
Mr J C Galstaun's bl aus m Gun Metal, 14-1 3-4
Mr P V Avasia's b aus m Solace, 14-2
Mr J D Scott's ch aus h Yankee Boy, 14-1
Mr J D Scott's b sth af h Pat, C 14-1
Lieut-Col J Desaraj Urs' B aus m Blackthorn, 14-0 1-4
Mr Artin A Essayie's br aus g Koko, 14-1 3-4
Mr F Main's bl aus m Hazelnut, 14-2
Mr Finch's b aus m La France, 14-0
Mr Finch's b aus m Pet Girl, 14-1

"The Koorla Plate." Distance—6 furlongs.

Mr G K's b a h Huddal, 13-2 1-2
Mr E Ghaswalla's g a h Firdosi, 13-2
Mr C A Beaty's g a h Vasco, 14
Mr Yusuff Yonase's b a h Yerbo, 13-2 1-2
Messrs M Gocuidas and A Nanjee's g a h Grey Fox, 13-2
Mesers M Goculdass and A Nanjee's g a h Farewell, 13-2 3-4
Mr R R S's ch a h Mint, 13-3
Mr R R S's b a h Sirjamal, 13-1 3-4
Aga S Shah's b a h Achille's, 13-3 1-4
Aga S Shah's b a h Oriental 13-2 1-2
Mr Fox's b a h Erhan, 13-1 3-4
Mr Artin A Essayie's g a h Little Joker, 13-3 1-2
Mr H B Pike's b a h Bandit II, 13-2 1-2
Messrs M J S Mahomed and A A Saif's ch a h Tachreet, 13-3 1-2
Mr Jaroola bin Talib's b a h Moon, 13-3 3-4
Mr Jackson's b a h Hermit, 13-3
Mr F M Gardas b a h Kour Sahib, 13-3 1-2

"The Parel Plate." Distance—1 1-4 miles.

Mr G K's b a h Berlin (4 years)
Mr G K's b a h Bendigo (4 years)
Mr G K's b a h Talisman (aged)
Messrs G H S Mahomed and A A Saif's g a h Mooreed 13-3
Aga S Shah's b a h Arabian, 13-3 1-2
H H Aga Khan's ch a h Sandow
Mr S A Wahed's g a h Skylark, 14-0
Mr Fox's b a h Erhan, 13-1 3-4
Mr Artin A Essayie's g a h Little Joker, 13-1 1-2
Mr Faraj bin Sanad's b a h Young Mosumma, 13-3 3-4
Mr Rustapha bin Talib's b a h Faithful, 14-0
Mr F M Garda's b a h Narunjee, 14-0

"The Dealers' Consolation Plate." Distance—6 furlongs.

Mr Syed Hassoon's b a h Bookbit, 13-3 (aged)
Mr Hoosain Taher's g a h Meshall, 14-0 (6 years)
Messrs M Goculdass, A Nanjee and A M Amer's b a h My Mistake, 13-2 (4 years)
Mr Ebrahim Mana's ch a h Hamadi Flag (5 years)
Mr R R S's g a h Spectator, 13-3 1-4 (6 years)
Mr R R S's ch a h Sherali, 13-3 (4 years)
Aga S Shah's ch a h Ajax, 13 3 3-4 (4 years)
Mr A Razack's br a h Antonio (4 years)
Mr Artin A Essayie's b a h Jolly Joker, 13-3
Mr Saleh Tockmachie's ch a h Coger, 13-3 1-2 (5 years)
Mr Dedan Baker's g a h Ashruff, 13-3 1-2 (5 years)

The "Hunters Flat Race." Distance—1 mile 5 furlongs.

Mr M Rommel's br aus g The Tyke—late Lot
Mr R W L Dunlop's b aus g The Count
Mr H B Pek's bl aus g Musketeer
Mr H S Symon's b aus g Yeoman
Mr J L Symon's br aus g Dutchman
Mr J L Symon's b aus g Kinglike
Mr Alston's br aus g Neptune
Mr R A Spence's br aus g Sugarbag
Mr P F Fischer's br aus g Dart
Mr Alston's br aus m Miss Melligan
Lady Jenkin's b aus g Hoaxer

CECIL GRAY,
Secretary, W. I. T. C.

Bombay, 27th February, 1905.

Advice to Mothers!—Are you broken in your rest by a sick child suffering with the pain of cutting teeth! Go at once to a chemist and get a bottle of Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup. It will relieve the poor sufferer immediately. It is harmless and pleasant to taste, it produces natural, quiet sleep by relieving the child from pain and the little cherub awakes as bright as a button. It soothes the child, softens the gums, allays pain, relieves wind, regulates the bowels and is the best known remedy for dysentery and diarrhoea whether arising from teething or other causes. Mrs. Winlow's Soothing Syrup is sold by Medicine dealers every where.

MORE ABOUT MAXIM GORKY.

Father Gapon, the leader and inspirer of the Russian workmen in their recent unsuccessful attempt at bringing their grievances before the Czar, has, for the moment ceased to be the man round whom centres the interest of the present crisis writes a home paper. In his stead Maxim Gorky is now the subject which is on every tongue; and though active part in the rising of the workers has not been prominent, it is felt that his influence, as propagated in his writings, has done not a little to guide and teach the hitherto dumb multitude, and to spur them on to the effort which, though apparently it has been but another failure, is felt everywhere to mark the turning-point in the history of the Russian people, writes a home paper. The Press of the whole Continent has been ringing this week with the name and fame of the man who has expressed the hardships, the bondage of the toilers of his nation with more passionate fervour, more tender pity, and more wrathful impatience than any other Russian writer, except perhaps Dostoieffski. A French contemporary, in a long leading article on the "Poet of the Oppressed," says:

"Gorky! If ever a name stood for a symbol, for a standard, it is this one. The novelist who writes under this name is in reality called Alexis Peshkoff. When he began to write it was not without reason that he chose the pseudonym which he has made famous. Gorky, in Russian, signifies 'bitter.' Bitter has been his existence; bitter also is his work. Till he began to write, his life had been one long Calvary. . . . In reading his books you feel that Maxim Gorky, as he himself has said, loves with a brotherly love those toilers who are gnawed by the poison of dreams. 'The men who think,' he writes in Konovaloff 'are numerous in Russia, and they are the most unhappy of all living beings, for the weight of their thought is heightened by the blindness of their spirit.' But it is in these that he has confidence, for they are the sowers of a future of justice and equity. .

'I was thinking,' he says further on, of the unending sadness of beings who, armed with a new standard of morals and aspirations, go forward all alone, are lost in the mazes of life, and meet on their road with fellow-travellers who are strangers to them, and cannot understand them. . . . Oh, how sad it is, the life of these isolated beings! The wind drives them on in a direction contrary to their own wishes. But they are the good seed. . . .

And away in the vast Muscovite Empire, among the Mushiks, a curious legend is spreading. It is said that there exists an iron ring, the symbol of glory, which the greatest writers of Holy Russia pass on to one another. This precious talisman has belonged to Pushkin, who left it to Tourgenieff, who in turn left it to Tolstoy. The illustrious patriarch of Yasnaia Poliana keeps the wonderful ring in an iron casket. But he has already nominated his successor, and it is Maxim Gorky.

A correspondent of a Berlin paper at Riga, where Gorky was last week arrested, it is said, because he had sent a sum of 50,000 roubles to the strikers at St. Petersburg, points to the fact that the famous novelist is only sharing the fate of all other great Russian writers. He writes: "The history of Russian literature is a list of martyrs and a register of convicts Rylejeff was hanged by order of Czar Nicholas; Puskhin was killed in a duel at the age of thirty-nine; Griboyedoff was murdered in Teheran; Lermontoff, at the age of thirty was killed in the Caucasus in a duel; Wessevitoff was done to death by society at the age of thirty-two; Kolzoff's own relations worried him to death; Belinsky died at thirty-five of starvation and misery; Poleshayeff died in a military hospital, at the end of eight years of enforced military service; Bertinsky died at the end of twelve years in exile; Bestutcheff died at an early age in the Caucasus of an illness contracted in Siberian convict prisons. It need only be added that the Church has hurled all its curses on Tolstoy, and that Dostoieffski died of the results of corporal punishment in Siberia. After all this need anyone doubt the truth of the rumour that Gorky has been imprisoned?"

Meanwhile, a number of eminent German men of letters, among them Sudermann, Fulda, Hauptmann, Professors Hackel, Liszt, Liebermann, Liebreich, and Simmel, are heading a public protest against Gorky's imprisonment. This protest, which has been published in newspapers all over Germany is worded as follows:

FOR GORKY.

Maxim Gorky, the author of 'A Night Shelter,' the warmhearted and profound student and exponent of the soul of the people, the man of letters honoured and admired all over the civilised world, has been arrested, together with other representatives of Russian intellect, during the recent important events. His future, nay, his life, is threatened. The empire of the mind knows no geographic boundaries. Gorky's fate cannot leave unmoved anyone who cares for the noblest possessions of mankind. Since he has worked, by his writings, for regions far beyond the borders of his country, all educated persons have a claim on his life and his future work. They are all justified in emphatically saying to the St. Petersburg authorities: This man does not belong to you; he belongs to his high calling; he must not be sacrificed to political arrogance. In the hope of giving public feeling as strong and effective an expression as is possible, we ask all those who are of the same opinion to join us in this protest."

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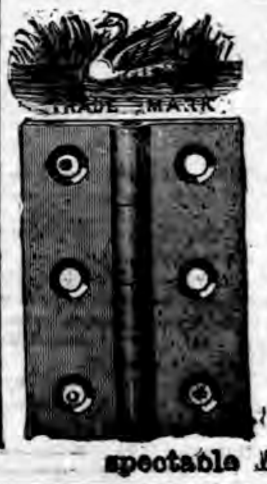

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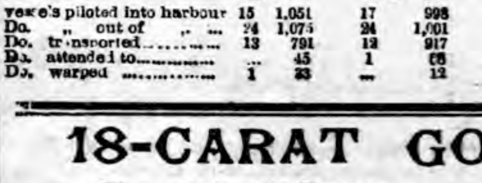

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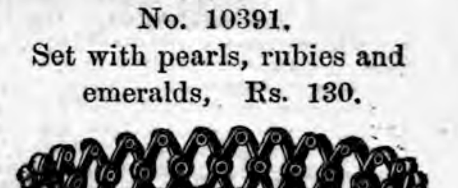

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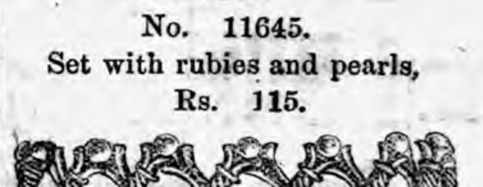

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Mrs. Clayton Glyn whose first book—The Visits of Elizabeth—was so successful, has finished a new one. It will be published next month by Messrs. Duckworth, under the title, The Vicissitudes of Evangeline.

Three volumes, which easily hold their own against the crowd of competitors, are being added to the Temple Classics. They are Oliver Wendell Holmes's Breakfast, table Series, The Poet, The Professor and The Autocrat. Mr. A. J. Grieve has edited the volumes, which will form a pretty set.

Mr. John Lane has a couple of books for publication on St. Valentine's Day. One is Mr. H. W. Nevinson's Books and Personalities, a series of studies which includes essays on the Carlyles, the Brownings and Matthew Arnold. The other is by Mr. Edward H. Cooper, who, in it, discusses and analyses child-life as it is in England at the present time.

Mr. Coulson Kernahan is giving up his position as literary adviser to the firm of Messrs. Ward, Lock. His relations with the house extending over a great number of years, have always been of the most cordial character, and his decision is solely owing to the fact that he desires to devote himself henceforward to literary work and lecturing. Mr. Kernahan also proposes to sever his connection with Westcliff-on-Sea, and to reside at Brighton.

There is a commendatory letter by Mr. Rudyard Kipling in a book containing some impressions of ourselves, which Mr. Heinemann is to publish. It is called "Through Isle and Empire," and is by a travelled Frenchman Vicomte Robert d'Humieres. He has often visited England, and he has observed us as rulers in India and Egypt. He sets down his impressions in a bright, chatty fashion, always mixing praise and criticism with good nature.

Some of the tragedy associated with the House of Romanoff will be told in Mrs. Colquhoun Grant's book—A Mother of Tsars.—which Mr. Murray is publishing. The heroine, if one may so call her was the Princess Dorothea of Wurtemberg, who afterwards became the wife of Paul I, and the mother of two Tsars. She was a power in Russia during the three reigns, one of which saw Napoleon at Moscow and his disastrous retreat.

An interesting book that Mr. Dent is shortly to publish will have the title Garden Colour. Its text is by well-known writers on gardening, like Mrs. [illegible]arle and Miss Rose Kingsley, and the illustrations are by Miss Margaret Waterfield. She has made her drawings from actual gardens, so they will show what can be done in growing a glory of colour. In a word, the pictures declare how beautiful gardens may be at all seasons of the year.

The subject of the doctrines and ritual of the first six centuries, has been engaging attention among Church people, It is treated in a book by Miss Caulfield, which is about to appear, with an introduction by Lord Halifax. He says that it—may be useful to those who want to know what was the teaching of the Fathers and of the early writers of the Church on the great truths of the Christian religion. Messrs. Brown Langham are publishing the book, which is entitled, The Voice of the Fathers.

The next issue in the King's Classics will be Edward FitzGerald's Polonius, a companion volume to his Calderon, which is already in the series. An attempt has been made to identify the sources of the quotations in Polonius. Another book which the De La More Press is about to issue is entitled Tales of Old Fiji. These tales were collected by Dr. Lorimer Fison in Fiji a generation ago, when the grim record of cannibalism was still to be traced in the language and customs of the island.

There is, it seems, no adequate history of the Royal Academy, and only a few books dealing with it. Its early record is referred to in a pamphlet by Sir Robert Strange, and in Benjamin Haydon's autobiography. For the rest there is only Sir William Sandby's history, which appeared in 1862. These are the reasons which have led to the preparation of a book on Mr Murray's list. It tells the story of the Academy from 1768 to 1820 and it is the work of the late Mr. J. E. Hodgson, R.A., and Mr. F. A. Eaton the secretary of the Academy.

Some reminiscences by Mr. Andrew White, who has been American Ambassador to St. Petersburg and Berlin, have recently appeared in one of the American magazines. They are a foretaste of a two-volume book by him, which Messrs. Macmillan are to publish. He has a good deal to say of Bismarck, as of other celebrities, including the present Tsar. Mr. White was the first president of Corenell University, which he helped to establish. He has occupied a professor's chair, been a member of the American Senate, and he sat on the Venezuela Commission.

There is to be an illustrated catalogue de luxe of the Whistler memorial exhibition which is shortly to be opened in London. Mr. Heinemann is to prepare it for the International Society of Sculptors, Painters, and Gravers. Visitors to the exhibition who desire a copy, may there enter their names for one. The number printed will be limited to this list of subscribers, plus a hundred copies for libraries. The volume is to be in the same style as Whistler's Gentle Art of Making Enemies, even to the water-mark, in the paper, of his famous butterfly.

A purely historical work on St. Patrick, the patron saint of Ireland, should be interesting. When Professor Bury was preparing his history of the later Roman Empire, he was led to study the missionaries of light whom it gave to Northern Europe. This led him to St. Patrick and his story, which he found to be really very confused. He has recently been writing a book dealing with it, and this, Messrs Macmillan are to publish. He finds that the Roman Catholic view of St. Patrick is nearer the historic truth than the Protestant view.

Mlle. Vacaresco's new book of Roumanian folk-songs and legends, collected from the peasants and rendered into English, will be published by Messrs. Harper in a few days. She says in her preface, addressing a friend to whom the book is dedicated:—You will not find here one single tale that is already inclosed in the books of our learned and patient book-lore searchers. They are as new to the public as if they had not lain for centuries in the souls of our country-people. Mlle Vacaresco says that the simple love of country life is still as alive in Roumania as it was in Virgilian days.

Mr. Gilbert Chesterton's new book, The Club of Queer Trades, will appear next week with Messrs. Harper.—Mr. George R. Sims, has a volume of sketches and stories, entitled, Li Ting of London," coming out shortly—Chatto and Windus.—Venice, a book which Mr. Thomas Okey has written for the Mediœval Towns Series, will be published by Messrs. Dent within the next few days.—The Problem of the Immigrant is a study by Mr. J. D. Whelpley of the uses and abuses of the immigration system, and it is to be published this month by Messrs. Chapman and Hall.—The Rev. William Beck, rector of Clanna-borough, Devon, has written a small and inexpensive volume which students of the Bible are likely to find valuable and suggestive. It is a critical examination of the New Testament, Revised Version, with amendations and alternative readings, and is published by Mr. Henry S. Elands, of Exeter.

Saturday Feb. 4th was the centenary of Harrison Ainsworth's birthday. Where are now those lonely horsemen? The last I heard of them was somebody's allegation that they were to be found in one of Mr. Stephen Phillips's dramas and in Mr. Frederic Harrison's Byzantine romance. And why are not the historical novelists who are still fashionable to-day dining somewhere together "in piam memoriam" to a once so popular predecessor? Well, Ainsworth entertained his generation and reaped his reward, and now shares the common fate of derivative talents. After all, it is not for everyone to write Don Quixotes. Let popular novelists of to-day and readers of popular novels remember him in kindness and not at all in contempt. To-day is the 150th anniversary of the great French writer Montesquieu, well worthy of remembrance in England.

This is the time to rub up our ideas about Cervantes and Spanish literature generally; and our leading scholars, Mr. Fitzmaurice Kelly and Major Martin Hume, are doing their best to guide us. Mr. Frowde has published Mr. Fitzmaurice Kelly's address to the British Academy on Cervantes in England, and a week or two before Mr. Eveleigh Nash published Major Hume's Spanish Influence on English Literature, which was dedicated to James Fitzmaurice Kelly, best of friends and most unselfish of scholars. Major Hume's book, it need hardly be said, was not written just to meet the occasion. It is the outcome of a series of University Extension lectures delivered by him on the invitation of the London University Board, and rearranged and partly rewritten, and make an interesting and valuable book on a not unimportant chapter in international literary history. As Major Hume says, a literary history that is not to some extent international is necessarily inadequate.

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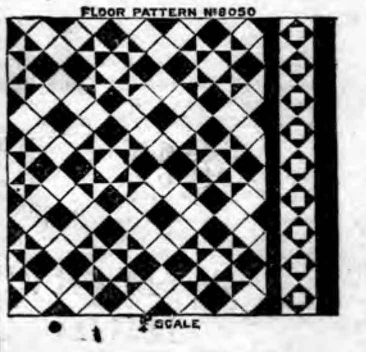

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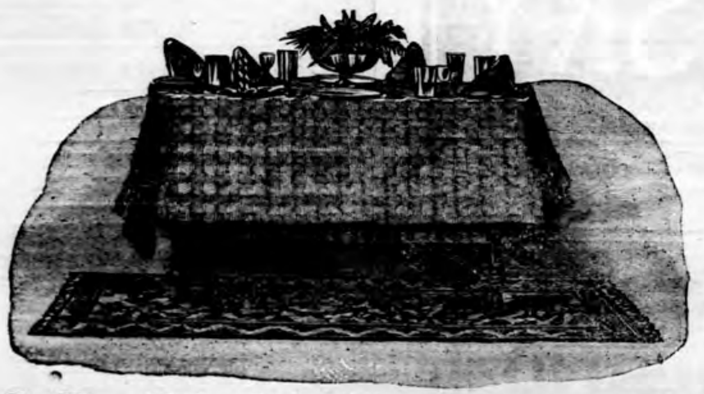

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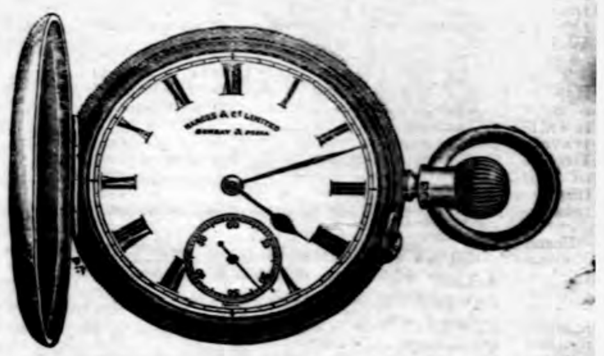

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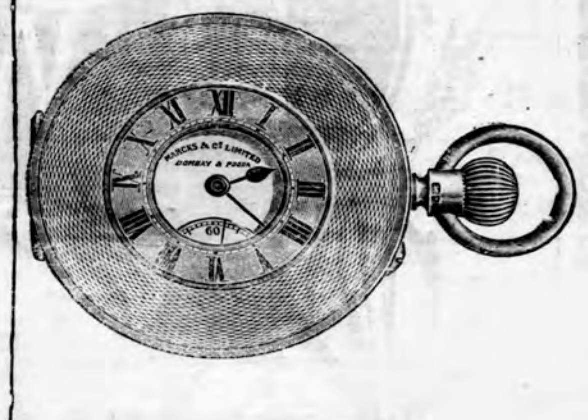

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